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Party Honors 33 Year Retiree



George Schaible Sr., for many years superintendent of Camp Grayling is pictured telling of the "old days" at the base of a retirement party for Richard Lovely, second from the left. Extreme left is Brig. General Carson R. Neifert, Quartermaster General of Michigan; Lovely; Billy J. Kinkert, present Camp Grayling superintendent and Schaible. Spt Floyd Gibbs Photo

Approximately 50 civilian employees and enlisted men of the Michigan Army National Guard joined together in Grayling, Michigan, Thursday, December 16, to salute a long-time servant of the State's militia, Richard A. Lovely, 63, who is retiring after 33 years service with the Camp Grayling's Office, Camp Grayling, Mich.

Heading the list of out-town dignitaries for the occasion were Brig. General Carson R. Neifert, Quartermaster General of Michigan; Lt. Col. John C. Stabler, Assistant Adjutant General of Michigan; and Major Lewis H. Lankford, representing the United States Property and Fiscal Officer for Michigan. Toastmaster of the retirement dinner, which was held at the Lone Pine Inn, was Billy J. Kinkert, Camp Superintendent, Camp Grayling.

Richard A. Lovely was born in Grayling, Mich., March 15, 1902, and received his education in the Grayling school system. He also attended Ferris Institute in Big Rapids.

He first went to work at Camp Grayling in 1916 when his father, who was chief cook for nearly 40 years, was hired to drive 15 men who were hired to build a road to clear the main camp area. Lovely served as mess boy, that is, for eight more years at that time he was hired as a seasonal laborer by Henry Baumgardner, who was then the Camp Superintendent. It was also during this time that the younger Lovely became the manager of what was called "the ladies mess."

Taking a "filing" at business in the "outside world," Lovely worked for the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company as a relief manager in the southern district. (Grand apologetics) until 1929 when he decided to return to his home town of Grayling.

He gained employment at Camp Grayling and during the fall and winter of 1929-30 working in the main warehouse repairing tents and canvas.

In 1931 he was transferred to the Camp Superintendent's Office and served in that administrative position until his retirement.

During his many years on the job, Lovely has seen Camp Grayling grow from a meager training camp with only four buildings, to a significant military reservation with nearly 500 buildings and thousands of acres of wooded forest which is now a national park.

At this time, we, at the Chamber of Commerce, wish every one a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Chum Longworth, Marge Roper, Don Welsch, Sal Truettner, Sandy Thompson, Bill Kraus, Ed Rutkowski, Billie Orbes, John Latuak, and Bill Tufts.



The annual Golden Age party was held at the Grayling Women's Club December 15th in the afternoon. The club room and tables were gaily decorated for the affair. Mrs. Carl E. Johnson and Mrs. Earl Burns were co-chairmen.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Name 1966 Michigan Week County Chief

Mrs. Walter Truettner, of 615 Michigan Street, was today appointed Crawford County Chairman for "Michigan Week" by Ray Conley, V. P. of the First National Bank, Petoskey, and Regional Chairman for "Michigan Week". Mrs. Truettner is the president of the Crawford County Chamber of Commerce and is active in the Grayling Women's Club. She will be assisted by Mrs. James Forbes as vice-chairman for the 1966 "Michigan Week" observance. Mrs. Truettner will soon be announcing other assistants for the yearly event which will be held May 15th through May 21st, 1966.

Frederic Names Winter Queen

The election of "Miss Frederic Snow Queen" took place in Frederic Tuesday of this week. Results of the election will not be made public until the 8th of January, when there will be a community dance at the school gym, with music from 9 to 1 by the Rogers from the Teen Chorus of Gaylord. The Queen will be introduced at this social event, and plans presently call for her to be crowned at Mt. Frederick on the following day, Sunday, January 9th. The Hobby Club of Frederic is sponsoring "Miss Frederic Snow Queen of 1965".

Eagles Lose To Merritt

By Rex Alma

On Friday the 17th, the Frederic Eagles dropped their fourth game of the season to Alba. The final score was 56 - 81. Although just recovering from the flu, Jim Weaver did his best and came through with a tremendous 36 points. Tom Koernke and Jim Gauthier had six points each.

The Junior High took two more games on the 18th and 17th. The fourth victory came on Thursday, the 16th, when the Junior High beat Vanderbilt 39 to 38. The 17th brought a game with Alba, of course, the Junior High were victors with the final score being 38 to 36. John Redman led the scoring with 14 points, Mike Jungman and Max Tobin had 11 and 10, respectively. This team has not had a loss.

The girls lost their second game, 29 - 22, to Vanderbilt. Gayle Post had 9 while Andrea Harmer had 8 points. Their first game was with Lake City. They will attempt to get in the win column in their next game.

The JV's have lost their second game also. In this game against Merritt, Garrett Bailey led the scoring with 12 points. Mickey Hass and Rex Alma each made 8. Marty Bindschattel and Perry Valdick made 9 points each. The final score of this game was 46 - 40. The Varsity will play Vanderbilt, Tuesday, the 21st. We hope that all the fans will come and cheer the JV's as to victory.

Country Library To Close Friday, 24th

The Crawford County Library will be closed all day on Friday, December 24th along with other county offices. It has been reported by Librarian Mrs. Harry Souders. Librarian Souders also has been informed of a tax amount of \$500 from Beaver Creek Township for library operation.

Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Memo: To the People of Crawford County

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What - Where - When Dec. 29: Past Matrons OES meet at Mrs. Don Jansen's at 7:30 p. m.

Jan. 5: Michelson Memorial Men's Club Fellowship Breakfast Stag-6:30 p. m. at church. 50c donation.

Jan. 5: Grayling Chapter No. 63 O.E.S. Regular chapter meeting, Masonic Temple, 8 p. m.

Jan. 6: Regular meeting Grayling Lodge 359 F. & A. M., 7:30 p. m.

Expect 150 At Camp AuSable Sunday

Winter Camping at Camp AuSable begins the day after Christmas. Senior young people ages 16 to 30 will come from many parts of Michigan for the first camp December 26th to January 2nd. It is anticipated that 150 will take advantage of this week for winter sports in the area.

The campers will participate in skating, skiing, and tobogganing. A snowmobile will be available for special rides and trips. The camp bobsleigh will also be in use on the trails of the forest. The majority of the winter camp enthusiasts will take a canoe trip down the AuSable river from Grayling to Stephen bridge.

The program for the week includes a daily Morning Watch devotional service. In the evening the young people will gather around the campfire in the lodge and enjoy singing and stories and Christian fellowship.

Camp director for the week is Elder Lawrence Caviness, Seventh-day Adventist youth leader for the state of Michigan. Cooks will be Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cain who served in the same capacity last summer for the Junior, Teenage, and Senior youth camps. Camp AuSable is being headed by the manager Harold Jewkes.

Calvary Baptist Church There will be a teen-age winter retreat at the Winter Sports Park lasting from 1 p. m. Wednesday, December 22 through 1 p. m. Thursday, December 23rd, and Wednesday evening services at the Calvary Baptist Church at 7:15 p. m.

MT. HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH Candlelight communion services will be held at the church beginning at 11 p. m. on Friday, December 24th.

MICHELSON MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH There will be Christmas Eve candlelight service from 8 to 9 p. m. Friday. Visitors are welcome. On Sunday, December 26 returning college students will be given special recognition at the regular 11 a. m. service.

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St. John Lutheran Church Women meet on Thursday, Dec. 30 at 2 p. m. at the parsonage for the usual Christmas party.

St. John Lutheran Congregation met last Sunday for the first time in the new church facilities at 501 Michigan Ave. All activities of the church will be held there from now on.

We extend most cordial welcome to everyone to participate in the activities at St. John Lutheran church.

Services Held For Clyde A. Peterson Funeral services for Clyde A. Peterson were held Thursday, December 16, 1965 from the Sorenson Funeral Home with the Reverend Charles McMahon officiating. Interment was in Elmwood Mausoleum with Larry McNamara, Clifford Vanderlyn, Thomas Stancil, Gerald Herrick, Howard D. Madsen, Walter McWilliams and Emerson Hoelsi serving as pallbearers. Mr. Peterson passed away at Mercy Hospital on December 13 following a brief illness.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Peterson, Clyde was born July 11, 1902, at Moorestown, Michigan in Missaukee County. He came to Grayling forty years ago, and worked for many years as an auto mechanic, later going into business for himself, in real estate. He was married April 9, 1949 in Detroit.

Besides his wife, Nadine, survivors are one daughter, Katherine Lewis of Garden City, and one son William Heath of Saginaw, and three nephews, Kenneth Peterson of Flint, Don Peterson of Gladwin and Lloyd Short of Lake Linden.

Attending the services from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Belknap, and Robert Belknap and Cheryl Crawford, Saginaw, Gerald Herrick of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Art Goodrich of Bay City and William Koerber of Saginaw, Mr. and Mrs. Art Allen of Newberry, Mrs. Harry Reynolds, Midland, Clifford Vanderlyn of Houghton, Frank and Casper Smith of Flint, the Donald Petersons of Gladwin and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lewis of Garden City, and Bill Heath.

Richard-Bebow Injured Mrs. Ernest Bebow has received word that her son Richard was injured aboard his ship the USS Constock recently when an air pressure hose on which he was loosening the cap sent him flying over twenty-five feet down into the ship's hold, where he landed on his feet, breaking one and injuring the other. Richard was just into port from his second trip to Viet Nam and will be hospitalized for six weeks. For friends who wish to write his address is: Richard Bebow, Gunner's Mate Third Class, 694-56-33, Ward 26, 3-D, Balboa Naval Hospital, San Diego, Calif.

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Cagers Recess For Holiday Vacation

Cage play in the Northern Class C Conference came to a recess period last Friday night, following a full slate of games, for the holiday season.

No games are slated in conference play until Friday, January 7 when Grayling will travel to Charlevoix, Boyne City will be at Pellston, Mancelona at Gaylord and Harbor Springs at East Jordan.

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SET TO SHOOT—Gaylord's All State center Terry Walker lets the ball go at the center of the photo. From the left are: No. 55, John Allen, Gaylord forward; No. 52, Art Wakeley, Grayling center; Walker; No. 11, Sam Morrow, Gaylord guard and No. 20, LeRoy Neal, Grayling forward. Myrton Burrows Photo

Receive Word Of J. C. Failing's Passing

Word was received of the death of John C. Failing, 81, of Roscommon, at his home on the South Branch of the AuSable River on Tuesday morning, December 21, 1965. He was found by his family in his chair. The body is being taken to Seneca, Illinois, for burial. Further information was not available at the time of writing.

Final Rites Read For Mrs. Ernest Larsen

Final rites for Mrs. Isabelle Larsen were held at 1 o'clock on Thursday, December 16, 1965 at the Michelson Memorial Methodist Church, with the Reverend Harris Jespersen officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Mausoleum with Otto Nielson, Emil Giegling, T. P. Peterson, J. L. Martin, A. L. Roberts and Melvin Nielson serving as pallbearers. Mrs. Larsen passed away Sunday evening, December 12, at Mercy Hospital after several weeks' illness. She was 87 years old.

The former Isabelle Case was born April 20, 1878, at Bad Axe, to Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Case. She was employed as a young woman with the Kerry and Way Lumber Company in Saginaw, in 1900, and when Mr. Kerry started the mill in Grayling she accompanied him here in 1905 to continue in the company office. When the new offices were built Miss Case stayed on up town as secretary at the Salling-Hanson Company for many years. Later she was employed by the Union Telephone company as a collection agent until the local office was closed, and until the time of her final illness was occupied with some secretarial work for Esbern Hanson. During the years before her marriage she lived with the William Fischer family in Grayling. She was married August 16, 1919 to Ernest Larsen, in Detroit. The couple returned to Grayling and for some time lived in the present Harry McEvers home on Maple Street. They later moved to the home on Lake Street, which was sold to the Bud Darveaus, and finally moved to the home on Peninsula where they have been for many years. Mrs. Larsen was a member of the Michelson Memorial Church, and of its W.S.C.S. She was a most conscientious performer of everything she undertook to do.

Survivors besides her husband, Ernest, are one brother, Albert E. Case of Bad Axe, one sister, and several nieces and nephews.

Grayling Firemen Elect Officers At a meeting held on Monday, December 13th, members of the Grayling Volunteer Fire Department elected officers. Kip Papendick was elected Chief for a year term, Bob Goinick for a year term as assistant Chief. Clayton Hildebrand was named secretary and Jim LaGrow, treasurer, both for one year terms. Named to three year terms were Marty Kitchen on the auditing committee and John Witcox as a trustee.

Chief Papendick pointed out the need for extra care during the coming Christmas holidays. He especially warned to keep your Christmas tree watered and to keep a sharp lookout on outside electrical connections for decorating.

On Monday, January 17 the Firemen will meet a team from the Tank Maintenance Section from the Grayling-McNamara Air Base in a donkey basketball game at the Grayling High gym beginning at 8:00 p. m.

Services Held For Gabriel Infant Services for Pamela Lynn Gabriel, eight day old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gabriel of Frederic, were held Monday, December 20, 1965 at two o'clock in the Elmwood Chapel. The Rev. C. F. Olin performed the service. Pamela will be buried in Oakwood Cemetery in Frederic in the spring. She passed away Saturday, December 18, 1965 at Children's Hospital in Detroit. Besides her parents she is survived by two brothers, Timothy and Todd, one sister, Patti, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Barber and Mrs. Violet Gabriel.

City Police Issue Four Summons City Police issued a summons to Larry Lee Korhonen, 13, of Grayling, on December 12th, for littering (throwing a beer bottle on public property), and to James Harold Onweller, 19, of Mio, for speeding on December 19th. They have appeared or will appear before Justice Olin Williamson.

David Robert Jackson, 18, of Grayling was given a summons on a drunk and disorderly charge and minor in possession of alcoholic liquor, on December 18. He appeared in court the same day, pleaded guilty, and received a fine and costs of \$38 or 30 days in jail. Fine and costs were paid and he was released.

John Patrick Hayes, 17, of Grayling, was given a drunk and disorderly summons on possession 18 and for being a minor in possession of alcoholic liquor. He appeared in court December 20, pleaded guilty, received a fine and costs

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A refreshing half-time performance was presented by Michael Weiland's trampolining students Bill Kraus, Tom Hatfield, Fred Blaauw, Rhea Stripe, Laraine Leitz, Claudia Henig and Fenn Welch, with the added touch of Mr. Weiland taking the part of a clown, who wound up with an expert performance of difficult feats, also on the trampoline.

The acts were announced by Candy Henig on the public address system. Appropriate music was provided by the band.

was high for the Ironmen and the only Mancelona player in double figures.

Things started out right Friday night in the Grayling gym as the Vikings and the Gaylord Blue Devils battled to a 9 all first period standoff. In the second frame, Gaylord outscored their hosts 14 to 16 to take a 33 to 25 halftime lead.

The third canto was Grayling's real undoing as they lost it 24 to 8 to put the Blue Devils in a 57 to 34 command as the last period opened. Gaylord took the last quarter 23 to 18 to win 80 to 50.

Wright with 15 and Wakeley with 10 were in double figures for Grayling. Nethers added 8, Sorenson 7, Neal 6, Thompson and DuBois 2 each. Terry Walker with 25 paced the victors. Jack Noiro, chipped in with 13. Walker scored on 7 field goals and 11 out of 12 foul shots.

The Blue Devils outscored the Vikings 27 to 19 in field goals and added 26 out of 54 free throws. Grayling could only hit 12 out of 24 charity tosses. Wright and Pat Thompson had early showers via the foul route while Gaylord lost the services of Noiro, Dale Schnell and Sam Morrow.

The little Vikings split their two games last week too. At Mancelona Tuesday night, the little Vikings trailed 11 to 10 at the end of the first period. The Mancelona jayvees then buried the Viking reserves 17 to 5 in the second canto to take a 28 to 15 intermission bulge. The little Vikings battled back in the second half with 8 to 4 and 15 to 11 periods but lost 43 to 38.

Steve LaGrow with 9, Dave Bailey with 8 and Mark Smith with 7 led the Viking jayvees. Allen Lowe and Mike Smock added 5 each with Paul King, chipping in 4. Wilcox with 18 was high for the winners.

Friday night, Grayling trailed 15 to 14 at the end of the first frame but a big 14 to 8 second period left them in the lead 28 to 23 at the half. The little Blue Devils came back with a 19 to 12 third period to lead 42 to 40 as the final canto opened. A fighting green and white team took a 17 to 13 fourth period to make up the deficit and win 57 to 55.

Mike Smock with 25 big counters and Steve LaGrow with 11 were both in the double figures for Grayling. Bailey added 9, Lowe 6, Smith 5 and Warren Hayes 1. Jenkins with 16 and Hird with 14 paced the little Blue Devils.

Our Weather (Courtesy of Billy Kinkert)

H L Rain Snow On Gd.

Dec. 7 33 28 tr 1.5"

8 37 29 tr 1"

9 36 18 - 1"

10 35 31 33 tr

11 40 32 80 tr

12 47 37 35 tr

13 45 30 tr tr

14 35 30 tr tr

15 30 25 .03 .05 tr

16 25 22 tr tr

17 32 22 .05 1.5 1.5"



Greetings

May you be gifted with the precious gifts of love, peace and understanding during this holy season of Christmas.

AL & JESSIE'S CAFE



SOUTHBEND LEONARD SERVICE



BURNS Hardware & Furniture

Official Statement

BY RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE GRAYLING STATE BANK WILL OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING CLOSING HOURS ON . . .

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24th

AND

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31st

THE BANK WILL CLOSE AT ITS USUAL CLOSING HOUR OF 3:00 P. M. AND WILL NOT BE OPEN ITS USUAL FRIDAY EVENING HOURS OF 6:00 P. M. TO 8:00 P. M. ON THESE TWO FRIDAYS ONLY.

Bits O' Talk

Mr. and Mrs. John Libke and grandsons John and Mark Suttill of Detroit spent the weekend at their home here, and visited relatives, coming up to get a Christmas tree.

Wave Berry arrived home Saturday from DeVry Institute, Chicago, to spend the holidays with his parents, the Stan Berries. He accompanied Bob Skolasky who came down from the College of St. Thomas at St. Paul, Minn., to be with his mother, Mrs. Stella Skolasky, over the holidays.

Bill's Landier will close Dec. 24 at 3:00 p. m. and reopen Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 8:30 a. m.

Mrs. Laura Diver of Deerfield arrived on the 22nd to spend Christmas vacation with her daughter and family, the Stan Berries. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Berry will arrive for New Years at the Berry home, from Gresham, Oregon.

Lee Vallad is expected home to spend Christmas with his parents, the Barney Vallads. He has leave from Ft. Knox, Ky., until the 28th, so will have only a short time. His brother Gary arrived home Saturday from DeVry, Institute in Chicago for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex McMillen and Kathy spent the weekend in the Hastings-Nashville area. Friday night they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Keith McMillen of Nashville to celebrate their wedding anniversary with his brother. On Saturday afternoon they attended the wedding of Mrs. McMillen's son, David, to Kathy, to Dawn Rhenard of Nashville at the Quimby Methodist church. Kathy presided at the guestbook for her brother and new sister-in-law. Saturday night they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kelley of Hastings and on Sunday enjoyed a family Christmas party with all of Mrs. McMillen's six children and their families.

Moose Lodge Activities

The lodge and the W.O.T.M. treated over three hundred youngsters with their annual Christmas party Saturday. Our appreciation goes to Tom Stancil and the Rialto theater crew, Ken Moore and the American Legion, also the City Police, for their co-operation for the party. Without these people, the party would not have been so successful. The lodge also thanks its members and the W.O.T.M. for their help.

Our sympathies go to the Gene Gabriel family who lost their little baby this past weekend.

In accordance with the state law, and our own club hours, the club will be closed from 9 p. m. Christmas Eve, until 11 a. m. Monday, December 27th.

We are planning a big New Years Eve party on Dec. 31st. There will be music by the North-erners, and favors, plus a good time. Members are allowed to bring guests.

A lodge meeting was held Friday evening. The next meeting will be Jan. 7, 1966 at 8:00 p. m.

There are several activities planned for January, an enrollment, a district meeting at Ludington, a Legion Frolic, a Legion club break fast meeting at the lodge basement and possibly some other activities.

School Notes

Tuesday - The Vocal Department presented their Christmas program in the gym starting at 7:30. The 4th, 5th and 6th grades presented the first part of the program "Gifts for the Christ Child," and the High School Concert Choir presented the Christmas Cantata "Love Transcending." Mrs. Chapman from Consumers Power Co. discussed the care and use of ranges and demonstrated table setting for the FHA students in the Homemaking Room.

Wednesday - Classes 1st and 2nd hour. Students will get out at noon. Glee Club and Band will sing and play in gym at 11:00. All students are expected to be present.

Special Note: Teachers meeting January 3, 1966 at 8:00 in room 44. Class meetings January 3, 1966.

CARD OF THANKS

I sincerely thank my doctors, Mercy Hospital staff, relatives and friends for gifts, flowers, cards, and being so helpful during my stay in the hospital.

Helen Cross



Christmas GREETINGS

Ever glorious Christmas comes with its blessings to you.

RETE'S SINCLAIR

LIBRARY NEWS

Friends of the Library met last week amid new steel bookcases that now hold some 9,000 books with space to spare. With great interest the group could see their efforts almost complete toward a modern library that fills a community need and a personal desire.

The Friends enjoyed the informal discussion of the "Netherlands" by Co. Volkers, a native of the country for some twenty-one years. The Netherlands is a country approximately one-fourth the size of Michigan, yet has a population of 11 million people (Detroit area, 4 million). Because of this limited space many couples must wait two to three years before housing is available and they can marry.

On of the chief exports of the country is dairy milk to the American occupation forces in West Germany. All schools and libraries are supported by the federal government. Mr. Volkers stated that every student is required to learn three languages other than the Dutch before completing the

secondary schools. At the present time they learn French, German and English, with Spanish soon to be added. Their country manufactures only small cars, and expensive and private driving lessons are necessary before a license is issued. One of the amazing things to Co was seeing 16-year-old girls driving cars - big cars.

On display in the library at the present time are works depicting problems in depth perception. The artists are Carla Mosher, Mike Fallon, Ruthann Meaker, Pat Cragg, Rick Holmes, Gail Hunter, Mary Gardiner, Linda Knibbs, Steve LaGrow, Nancy Knibbs, Linda Leitz and Vicki Gildner.

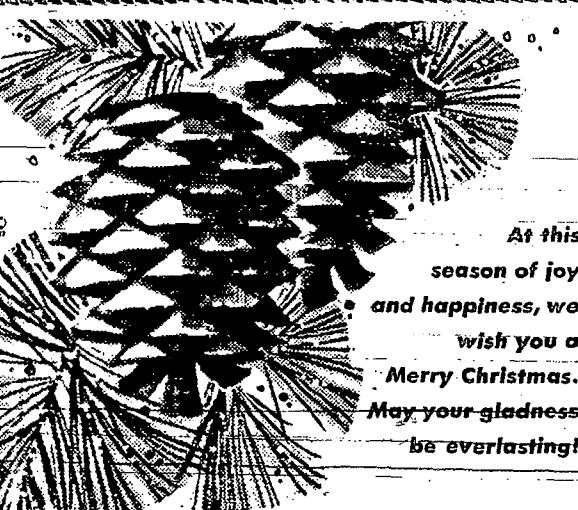
The Friends still has a need for a few more TV stamps, which can be left at the library.

Thanks to Glen's Market for the use of two food carts for transporting books, and to all those who gave of their time and effort in the recent changeover.

Why not give someone a book for Christmas?

May the infinite blessings of the first Christmas be yours to cherish now and always.

ROBERTSON'S GREENHOUSE

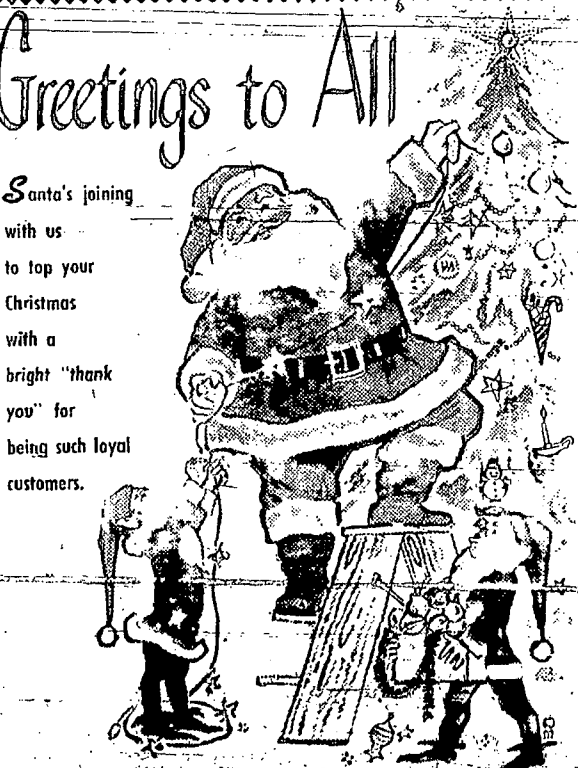


CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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Bits O' Talk

Monday Mrs. H. R. Macklon entertained their employees, Joyce Haver and Elaine Bohemeyer with lunch at the Park Place Hotel in Traverse City.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Walker planned to leave December 23rd to spend Christmas with his sister the Lloyd Dendels in Royal Oak.

Mrs. Walter Truettner entertained the nursing staff from Mercy Hospital with an open house and and tea at her home Wednesday from 2:30 to 4:30.

The Sisters of Mercy entertained with a Christmas party for employees at Chief Shoppengons Hotel last Thursday evening. Tuesday they entertained the student nurses with a dinner at the Penguin Inn. This Thursday evening a dinner will be provided by the Sisters of Mercy at the hospital for all the construction workers who worked on the new wing. Wednesday evening this week a group of about fourteen 11th and 12th graders under Sister Mary Noel of the nursing department made the rounds visiting and caroling for some of the older citizens of the city. Wednesday of last week the group assisted in the decorations put up at the hospital. A further extension of the Christmas observance by the Sisters of Mercy is the packing of Christmas boxes for distribution in South America and Mexico, which has been carried out this month, also to two former student nurses who have entered the Detroit convent of the order. The Sisters themselves were entertained with a party at the Legion Hall Saturday, the 11th given by the hospital fellowship group.

Mrs. Harold Drake and Mrs. Henry Feldhauser were in Flint recently visiting the former's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Don McArthur. Mrs. Feldhauser attended a party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. William Ballinger and attended the Charity Ball at the I.M.A. On Friday evening, the 10th, Mrs. Feldhauser entertained with a coke party honoring the vidual exchange students and with a Posada on Saturday evening.

Gary Russell came up from Mt. Pleasant Sunday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ulfarley Russell. He returns to Central Michigan University January 2nd.

Mrs. Harry McEvers and Consuelo Vicente made a trip to Big Rapids Wednesday the 15th to pick up the former's daughter Pat at Ferris Institute and also Maureen Dietrick, dropping her off at Prudenville.

Mrs. Ann Olson drove to East Lansing Wednesday of last week and brought her daughter, Miss Lauri, from Michigan State to spend the holidays.

Of interest to bowhunting friends is the information that Karl Palmater of Hickory Corners, who has been in charge of the national association shoots, shot his first deer this fall during archery season, near Alpena, with thirty-year-old home-made arrows. Mr. Palmater has been a bowman all his life, but has not done much deer hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Norval Stephan drove to Flint Tuesday, the 14th, to bring her mother, Mrs. Hazel Vallad, back with them to visit until after the holidays.

Mrs. Marjorie Fosget of Lansing returned home Tuesday of last week after spending the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Niederer, Sr.

Engineer - Superintendent Bruce Carlson and Harold Johnson of the Crawford County Road Commission attended the annual meeting of the District Road Commissioners' Association in Grand Rapids Monday and Tuesday of last week. Their wives accompanied them on the trip.

HOBBY CLUB MEETS

The Jolly Gals Hobby Club met Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Bob Colnick. A planned potluck Christmas dinner was served from a beautifully decorated table. Secret Pal Christmas gifts were exchanged and a basket of food and toys filled for a needy family. Two former members, Mrs. Ray Shusser and Mrs. LeRoy Christian were guests, and the penny prize was won by Mrs. Dewain Hall.

Merle Carlson, reporter

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our appreciation to all the friends and neighbors for all their kindness during our recent bereavement in the loss of our sister Gladys Krase.

We especially wish to thank Pastor Donald Beyer, Rev. and Mrs. Olin for their many kindnesses, the Sorenson Funeral Home and the ladies who served dinner after the services.

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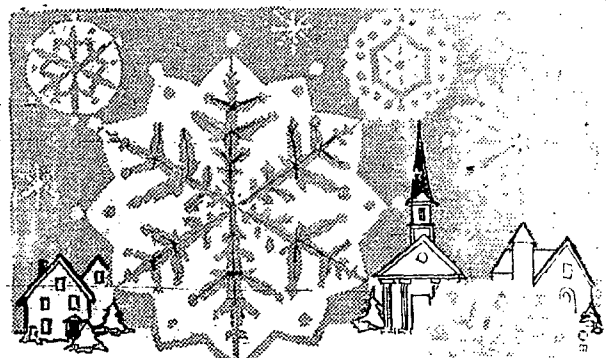
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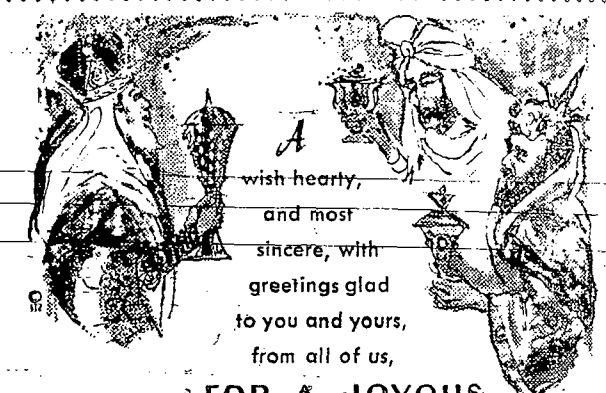
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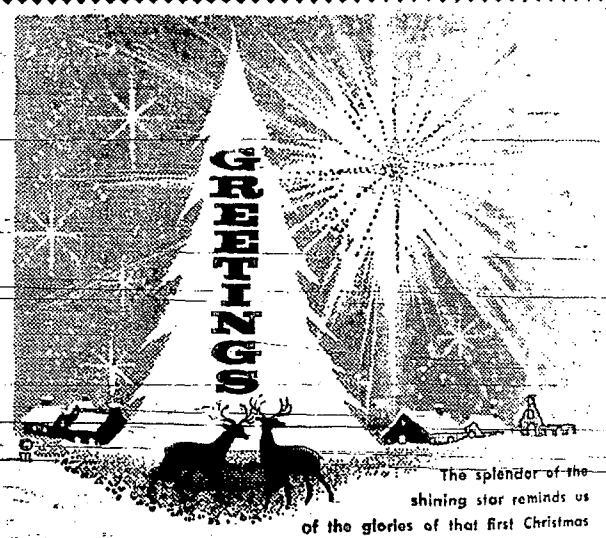
Christmas is made of snowflakes and church bells and laughter and dreams - may all of yours come true. Have a Merry Christmas.

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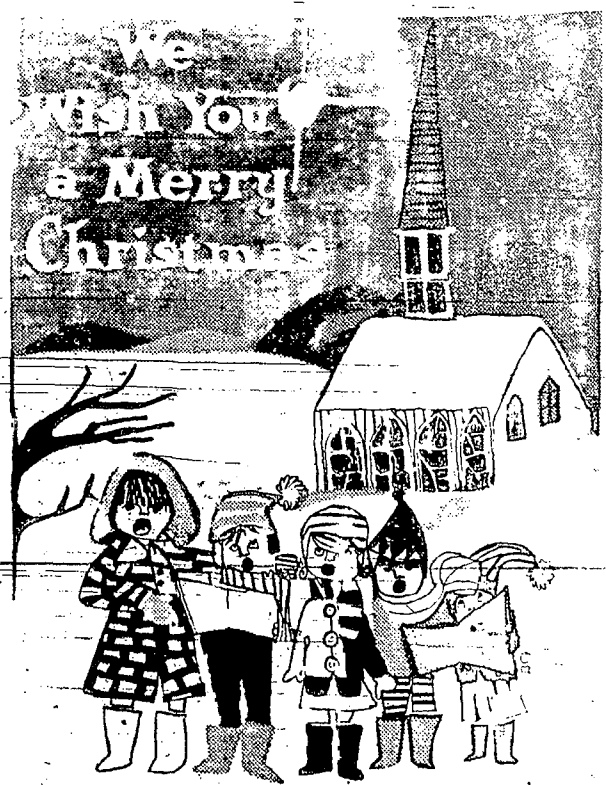
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The Meaning Of Christmas

It seems that there is nothing one can say of Christmas and its coming that has not been said before, and with the utmost eloquence. That is as it should be. For, over the centuries, the great figures of religion, art, music and literature have paid Christmas their devoted tributes. Old as the observance is, it is always new. And it always will be, so long as the Christian ideal and the Christian tradition remain.

It is a time of feasting and the giving of gifts. But more than that, for all who profess Christianity, it is a time for reflection and for profound consideration of spiritual things. We live in a troubled age—an age of wars, of bitter jealousies and enmities, of restless and often violent stirrings among peoples. It is an age in which discouragement and depression come easily. But the meaning of Christmas can give the perspective we sorely need. We can believe that the problems of this age will somehow, sometime, pass while the ideals that Christmas stands for are eternal.

Christmas is, above all, for children. Over the centuries, their eyes have sparkled as they gazed upon the tree, and found their gifts, and looked with awe upon the image of the Christ Child. Let us hope every child, wherever he may be, shares in the glories of this coming Christmas. And let us pray that he will live to know a happy and truly peaceful world.

Noel 1965

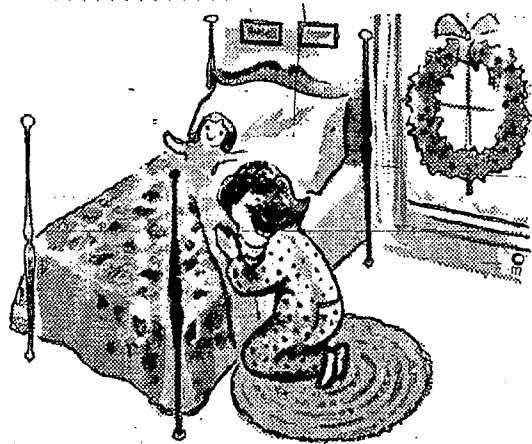
THE SILENCE of the night air is interrupted—a squeaking door—a patter of little feet on the stairs—muffled giggles—excited whispers—the clicking of a light switch.

Yes, the pre-dawn of another Christmas day has come to the home. The neat piles of gifts, so meticulously wrapped, under the star-spangled tree are torn asunder—the room becomes a maelstrom of colorful ribbon—a sea of wrapping paper of kaleidoscopic hues—and a cyclonic display of Santa's best wares are scattered hither and yon—youngsters darting from one gift to another like busy bees in a flower garden in full bloom.

And as the sun gently rises over the horizon, the kitchen becomes the clattering cacophony of dishes and bowls, pots and pans, that finally merge into a Christmas dinner—fit for a King.

Then when the final hour has arrived—guests departed, tired but happy youngsters are tucked into bed for the night—quiet has been restored—the exhausted parents in the stillness of the night pause to reflect—how much of this day has been devoted to the true spirit of Christmas.

The joy engendered by the family gathering pays tribute to family life, which after all, epitomizes Christmas—and helps to provide a fitting recognition to the Prince of Peace.



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Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVANCE OF 23 YEARS AGO

December 24, 1942

A fire destroyed a business block in Roscommon early Monday morning, causing a loss estimated at over \$30,000. Five business places occupied the structure, as follows, Rutledge Bros. Hardware, Roscommon A & P store, the Williams Barber Shop, the Mary Helen Beauty Shop and the Rutledge gasoline station. The first alarm was turned in at 5:30 o'clock and the building, a frame, single story structure about 500 feet wide and 300 feet long, was in flaming ruins in less than 90 minutes. Only two cash registers were saved from the hardware store while the showcase was carried out of the gasoline station. Walter Johnson, manager of the local A & P store, reported loss in stock and equipment would be more than \$8,000.

Last Friday night at the Grayling gymnasium the local varsity swamped a rangy Kalkaska team to the tune of 52-19. In the preliminary game the locals again emerged victors when the Reserves downed a stubborn Kalkaska B squad 28-26.

Now is the time for Michigan motorists to get that tire inspection which is essential to the rubber conservation program. Motorists throughout the country must complete the record of their first tire inspection by Jan. 31 and owners of commercial vehicles must be ready for tire inspection by Jan. 15. Don't delay there'll probably be a last minute rush. No more rubber panties for baby; that'll be tough on father. Scarcity of lard means no doughnuts.

Matches may soon be rationed. Rationing castor oil should put Leon Henderson in strong with the kiddies.

Miss Irene Pynnonen of Lewiston spent the weekend here visiting friends.

Mrs. Sigwald Hanson will leave Thursday to spend the holidays with her family in Mt. Pleasant. Roger Giegling, who is attending school at Saginaw, is at home for the holiday vacation.

Miss Jane Ann Martin is spending the holidays home from Hurley Hospital, Flint, with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McNamara and Larry will be leaving Friday morning for Flint to visit Mrs. McNamara's mother, Mrs. LeMieux.

Edward Sorenson of Detroit spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sorenson. Ed was enjoying a few days furlough from the navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Welsh are expecting Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Stirling and their twin babies, Lynn and Stephen of Saginaw to join the family circle for the holidays.

Miss Marie LaMotte of C. M. C. E. Mt. Pleasant is home spending the Christmas holidays with her parents.

Pvt. Harry Canfield of Camp Wolters, Texas, arrived Thursday and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Canfield Sr. of Beaver Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Snyder spent the weekend visiting here. They are living at Traverse City now where Mr. Snyder is stationed in the navy.

Many people say that this is the coldest December that we have had for some years now, so we wonder if perhaps we might have a somewhat earlier spring for a compensation.

The glad news was received by the Dawsons and Dunhams last Thursday of the birth that day of a daughter, Sandra Claire, to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dunham (Vivian Dawson) of Ann Arbor.

The boys and girls of the Beaver Creek school were delighted and surprised when Santa Claus appeared at their party Tuesday to pass out the gifts and make the whole occasion a merry affair.

Miss Aileen Larson of Grand Rapids will be home Thursday to spend the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Larson. Miss Mildred Craft also of Grand Rapids will return with her to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Craft.

Mrs. Norman Bancroft and two children and Miss Myrtle Leverton of Detroit visited their mother, Mrs. Guy Leverton of Beaver Creek last week. Mrs. Bancroft also visited her mother-in-law, Mrs. Lottie Halliday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Long are leaving Thursday night for Chicago to spend a few days. This is the first vacation they have taken since taking over the meat market on Cedar Street early last spring, and they are planning to have a good rest and a good time too.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cincala and daughters will spend Christmas at the parental home in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wolcott are planning to spend the Christmas season visiting in Oxford and Lake Orion.

Sixty some children enjoyed a party at St. Mary's hall Tuesday afternoon given by the Altar Society. A pretty tree and other yuletide decorations made the affair very festive. Individual ice cream cups with a Christmas tree center and cake were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lozon of Detroit are happy over the arrival of a daughter on December 15 at St. Francis Hospital. She is a little mite weighing 5 1/2 pounds and will be known as Emma Jean. Mr. and Mrs. Archie Lozon of Maple Forest and Henry Jordan are the proud grandparents.

Rev. and Mrs. E. D. Barnes will have as their guests at their Christmas program Wednesday evening the children of the Beaver Creek School.

Plane spotting started here last Monday morning and is progressing nicely. First of the week the weather was pretty snappy; especially in the early mornings. Little more comfortable now.

Bill Joseph arrived home Tuesday for a 5 day furlough from Camp Custer and a visit with his family over Christmas.

46 YEARS AGO
December 25, 1919
Miss Maude Tetu came home



Tidings of Great Joy

from Bay City Monday morning to enjoy the holidays at her home here.

Marshall Holliday expects to go to Saginaw Friday to be gone 10 days visiting friends.

Miss Greta Fink came down from Mackinaw City Saturday to spend a few days with Miss Agnes Mayo.

Arthur Karpus came home from U. of M. Monday to enjoy the holiday festivities with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephan Karpus.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Seymour of Lansing arrived Wednesday to be the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex LaGrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Meilstrup and children and Mr. and Mrs. John Pettit and little son John are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Salling.

Robert Roblin came home from Jackson the first of the week to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Roblin.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Owen and two sons left Saturday for Detroit to spend Christmas with Mrs. Owen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. LaRue.

Miss Dorothy Campbell arrived

Tuesday from Newberry to spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. A. M. Lewis and family. She was accompanied by little Mark Lewis who has been in Newberry for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Collier and daughter Dorothy of Saginaw, Mrs. Wilfred Cohen and two nieces Arlene and Bertha Pollock of Detroit are spending the holidays with Mrs. A. Kraus and family.

Miss Margaret Joseph arrived Monday from Harmon, Wis., to visit over the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Hyman Joseph.

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Westcott and children Hanson and Helen of Detroit are visiting Mrs. Westcott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hanson.

Mrs. J. B. Hathaway and Miss Marjorie Hathaway of Lake Orion mother and sister of Mr. C. J. Hathaway, arrived Wednesday to spend Christmas.

Miss Florence Doty of Grand Rapids arrived Wednesday to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. O. P. Schumann and family.

Letters To The Editor

Editor's Note—The following letter from the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce was presented at a meeting held at Indian River to protest antlerless deer shooting. The letter was the first piece of evidence taken at the session charmaned by State Senator Thomas Schweigert of Petoskey.

Crawford County
Chamber of Commerce
December 9, 1965
Indian River Sportsmen's Club
Indian River, Michigan
Gentlemen:

We read with interest of your scheduled meeting on the antlerless deer season in our local newspaper. Due to no prior information on the meeting, it is regretted that representatives from Crawford County cannot attend. Although unable to be in attendance, we wish to offer our 100% support for the closing of the rifle doe season for the next three years, and also the re-evaluation of the Conservation Department program of counting deer. It is believed this three years period would build up the deer herd to the extent where summer tourists can again enjoy seeing them along the trail roads, in reservations etc. Local hunters, businessmen, visitors etc. feel that in the event the Conservation Department is using the doe permits as a means of revenue, it would be wiser to increase the cost of a buck license rather than kill does and fawns at \$5 a piece.

Here in Crawford County we have received numerous letters from property owners, hunters etc. protesting the Conservation Commission's rifle doe season. We have to date 6,000 signed petitions to abolish the rifle doe season in this county. We have written letters to the Conservation Department, Robert Furlong, and Senator O'Brien, informing them of our position and action.

It is felt by local residents, sportsmen's clubs, hunters and businessmen alike that the Crawford County area can feed and maintain a much larger deer population than what we now have. We have many miles of State owned property (approximately 70% of the county is State and Federally owned without houses etc.

It is also believed that in taking their spring count of starving deer, the Conservation Commission should include representatives of all areas (those who know the area), thereby being positive that just hunted areas are being counted and not reservations etc., where deer cannot be hunted anyway, therefore making starvation counts in these areas useless.

We would appreciate this letter being read at your meeting and a reply to us concerning its contents and results of your meeting.

If we can in anyway be of further assistance towards our mutual interest, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely yours,
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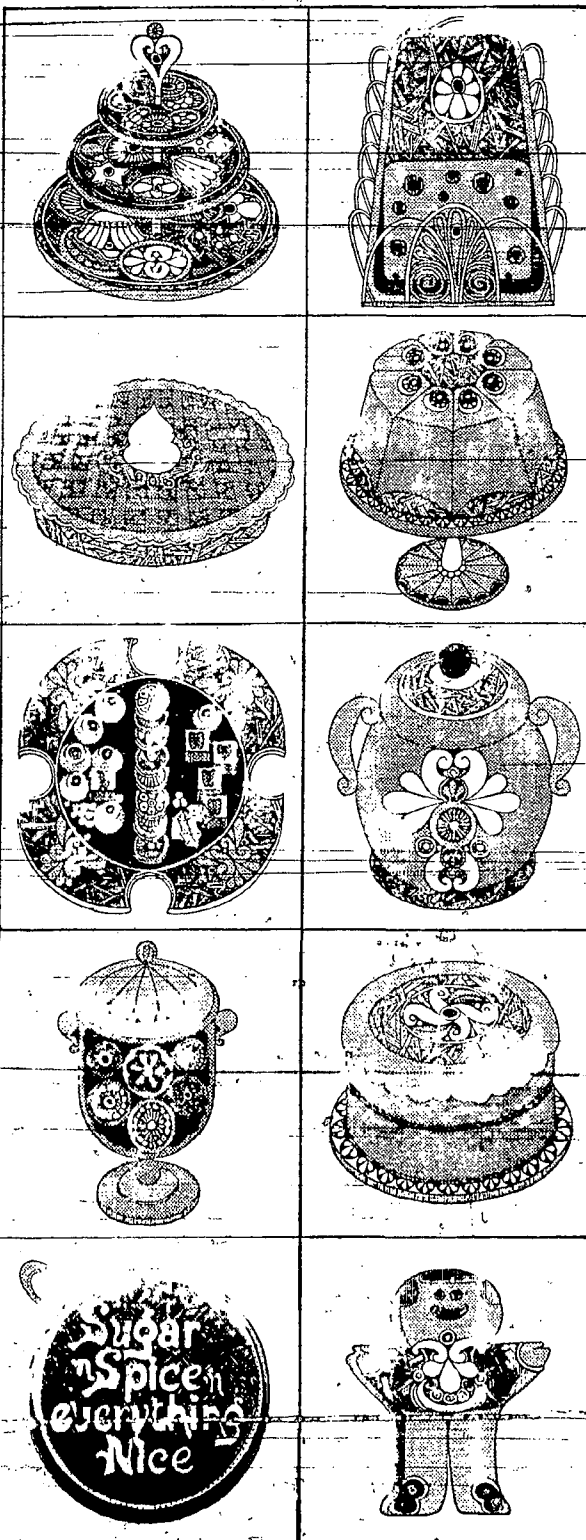
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Frederic News
Mrs. Betty Nowlin
Relatives here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Gladys Kruse or who came to call were Mrs. and Mrs. Arthur Cameron of St. Petersburg and Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Cameron of Palmto, Fla. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cameron of Garden City, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Koeley and Mrs. Helen Powers of Clarkston, Mr. and Mrs. John Duncley, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Horner, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Horner and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Horner of Walled Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Forbush of Inkster, Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Charon and family of Pinconning and Mr. and Mrs. Vance Horner and daughter of Detroit.
Mr. and Mrs. Dean Tobin of Saginaw spent Sunday with the Max Tobins, as they then had their Christmas. The Bill Tobin family were also there.
There will be no Games Party for the next two weeks, Dec. 25th and Jan. 1st, due to the holidays. Our deepest sympathy goes to the family of Gene Gabriels on the passing of their infant daughter, Pamela, Saturday. Graveside services were held at Grayling Mausoleum Monday at 2 p. m.

Crawford County Avalanche
Thursday, December 23, 1965
with Rev. Olin officiating.

CARD OF THANKS
My sincere thanks to Drs. Dosch, Heug and Blahn, the Sisters' nurses and hospital staff for their wonderful care and friends for their kind remembrances while I was a patient at Mercy Hospital. Evelyn Brown

Beaver Creek Breezes
By Mrs. Thelma Sims and Mrs. Margaret Griffith
Mrs. Effie Howe celebrated her 68th birthday. Mr. Howe taking her out to the Moose lodge with Bob and Miss Anna Hubert and friends. She received many nice gifts.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shooks left Thursday for Ohio, then on to Pennsylvania to Mrs. Shooks mother.

er for the Christmas holidays. Happy birthday this week to Ed Patchak, Mike Walters, Roy Millikin and Victoria Bohman. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and thanks for all the calls on the Mike Sims.

Welcome to Beaver Creek to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Everett. They moved up here from Lansing. Mr. Mayher was a week end caller on the Mike Sims.

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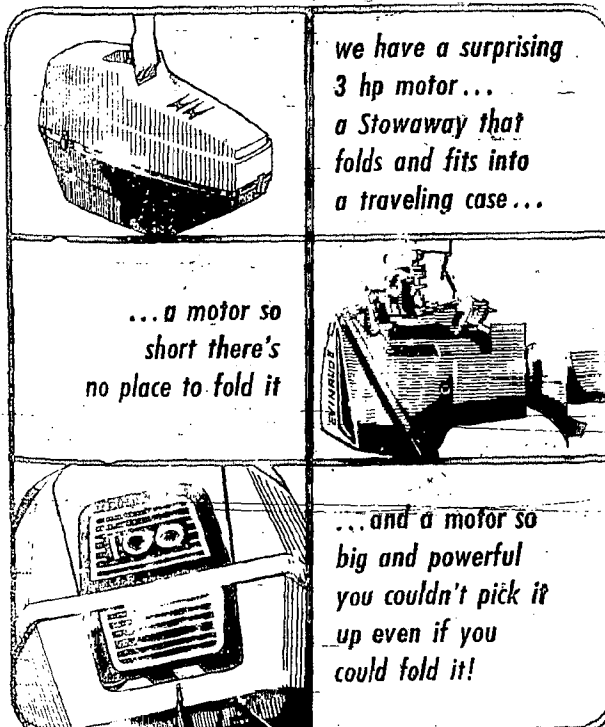
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December 14, 1965

1 Hanson's Sporting Goods	41
2 Moose Club	37
3 Baringer's	35 1/2
4 Glen's Market	34 1/2
5 Hoerl's Decorating	34
6 Post Oil	34
7 Uncle Al	29 1/2
8 Penguin Inn	28
9 Jim's Canteen	27
10 Al & Jessie's Rest.	27
11 American Legion	24
12 Tufts Dist. Co.	24
13 Sportsmens Club	23
14 Mich. Con Gas Co.	19
15 Southside Wood Products	18
16 Grayling Bay	12 1/2
Ind. high single: J. Budd	211
Pettyjohn 211, Linnendoll 211.	
Ind. high series: J. Budd	573
Linnendoll 571, Sloan 557.	
We Still need bowlers on Tuesday nights.	

National League — 1st Division

Dec. 16, 1965

1 Bear Archery	37
2 Grayling State Bank	35
3 Grayling D & L	33
4 Wharf's Dinner Bell	32
5 Lee's Barber Shop	26 1/2
6 Jack Millikin	22 1/2
7 Mac's Drug Store	19
8 Spike's Keg O' Nails	19
Ind. high series: Woods	588
Billsby 587, Granlund 565.	
Ind. high single: Billsby 233,	
Granlund 224, LaMotte Jr. 212.	

National League — 2nd Division

Dec. 16, 1965

1 R & H Sport Shop	36
2 Triangle Motel	33
3 Scheer Motors Inc.	30
4 City of Grayling	29
5 Fuelgas Co. Inc.	25
6 Warbler's	24
7 Welsh Motor Sales	24
8 Bob's Tree Service	23
Ind. high series: Rochette 530,	
Scheer - Vallad 520, Stephenson 519	
Ind. high single: Rochette 235,	
Tower 189, Stephenson 184.	

PIONEER LEAGUE

December 20, 1965

1 Avalanche	41 1/2
2 Sorenson Agency	34 1/2
3 Cornell Agency	31 1/2
4 Al's Gals	30
5 Dawson's	30
6 Vita Boy	29 1/2
7 Dad's Sport Shop	25
8 Wayside Inn	17
Ind. high series: B. Blatt 509; G.	
Kraus 505, I. Hatfield 485.	
Ind. high single: R. Gorman 192;	
G. Kraus 188; I. Hatfield 184.	

RECREATION LEAGUE

December 15, 1965

1 Modern Woodmen	37
2 The Pink Lady	33 1/2
3 Olson's	29
4 Marshall Motel	28
5 Leonard Gas	28
6 Bill's Laundry	28
7 Ausable Mobil Service	27
8 Pioneer Room	27
9 Grayling State Bank	25
10 Just Us	24
11 Fay's Motel	24
12 Glen's Market	24
13 Dingman's Tavern	24
14 Culligan Soft Water	23 1/2
15 Lovells Bar	23
16 Rochettes	11
Ind. high series: G. Nielson 537,	
L. Wheeler 527, M. Harwood 466.	
Ind. high single: G. Nielson 189,	
L. Wheeler 182, J. Hoffman 180.	

NORTHWOOD LEAGUE

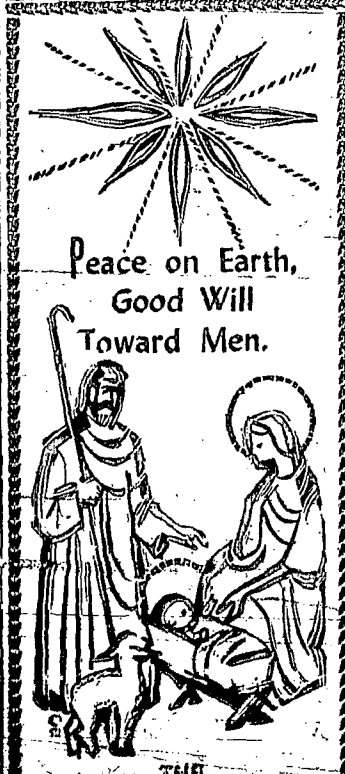
Dec. 17, 1965

1 Penguin Inn	41
2 Dick's Sign Service	34
3 Bear Archery	33
4 Black & White	30
5 Marge's Beauty Salon	27
6 Grayling Bay Service	26
7 Southside Wood Prod.	17
8 Glen's Mkt.	16
Ind. high series: P. Legg, 493;	
V. Stephenson, 475; S. S. Bendig	
473.	
Ind. high singles: P. Legg, 177;	
C. Stephan, 177; P. Legg, 169; B.	
Foster, 169; J. Laeder, 169.	

GIRL'S JUNIOR LEAGUE

December 18, 1965

1 Wipe Outs	18
2 Jolly Jokers	18
3 Striketts	16 1/2
4 Jolly Five	9
5 Goot - Ups	5 1/2
6 Rolling Balls	5
Ind. high series: D. Latuszek 439,	
L. Springs 351, P. Lovely 339.	
Ind. high single: D. Latuszek 159,	
L. Springs 149, P. Lovely 139.	
There will be no bowling until	
January 8, 1966, for Junior Bowl-	
ing League.	



Bits O' Talk

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Billsby and son Doug visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Billsby in Shepherd Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Legg entertained with a pre-Christmas dinner for members of their family Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Legg of Rosecommon, Lloyd Berry Jr. and children Susie, Mary Lou, Nancy and Skipper and Mrs. Patricia and son Bradford, all of Pontiac, Mrs. Lloyd Berry, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Hatfield and children of Grayling, Lloyd Berry Jr. and children Mary Lou and Skipper were here for Thanksgiving to visit his mother, and they were dinner guests of the Hazen Hatfields for that occasion. Lloyd also was here for the opening of deer season and bagged his deer the first day.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fick and family were in Flint Saturday vis-

Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, December 23, 1965

iting friends. Saturday night they spent with his parents, the John Ficks at Swartz Creek, and Sunday the whole group enjoyed a pre-Christmas dinner with Chuck's sister, the Tom Hinterman family in Owosso.

Mrs. Bill Joseph drove to Albion Friday to bring their son Bill home for Christmas vacation from Albion College. They brought fellow student Carolyn Klein with them and she is visiting her parents, the Robert Kleins until January 2nd.

Mrs. Marion Burch left Monday to spend the holidays with her son Kenneth in Ypsilanti.

Mrs. Maggie Leverton was in Mercy Hospital December 7th to 10th for a check-up. Is feeling much better now.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Gould and Ricky were in Big Rapids Sunday to celebrate Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baumunk and sisters Eleanor and other Big Rapids members of the family.

TWIN BRIDGES

By Mrs. Esther Herrick

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Loeffler were pleasantly surprised with a visit from their daughter Mary Seibel and her daughter, Barbara, from Southfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Nausbaum of Flint spent a few days at their cabin.

Mr. and Mrs. William Poorman had as guests from Saginaw, their son, Don and two daughters.

Last week the B. J. Mundts drove to Saginaw to help their daughter, Leona Hoy, celebrate the Jim Hoy's 25th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Herrick had the latter's grandson, Gerry Lake, up for some rabbit hunting. Gerry had some friends with him all from Flint.

The annual Christmas party put on by the Ladies Club was very well attended and Santa even took time to stop and bring candy and toys to children as well as some praise for those not so young. Much gratitude and thanks are surely due those faithful workers.



Mayonnaise SPARTAN DeLUXE qt. 55¢

Potato Chips SPARTAN 1-LB. BAG 49¢

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Spartan Coffee Reg. or Drip 1-LB. CAN 69¢

Banquet Pies FROZEN MINCE OR PUMPKIN 4 1-LB., 4-OZ. PIES \$1.00

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PINE-GRAPEFRUIT DOLE 1-1/2 OZ. CAN 33¢
VICTOR LARGE SHRIMP 4-OZ. WT. CAN 75¢
PRESERVES 12-OZ. WT. JAR 39¢
ICE CREAM TOPPINGS 4-OZ. WT. JAR 19¢
PRESTO WHIP 10-OZ. WT. CAN 43¢
FRUIT COCKTAIL DEL MONTE 1-LB., 10-OZ. CAN 27¢
CHUNK TUNA BEEF-O-CHICKEN 6-OZ. WT. CAN 29¢
SHURFINE RICE 1-LB. PKG. 17¢
SPRY SHORTENING 2-LB., 10-OZ. CAN 79¢
DETERGENT SPARTAN LIQUID 1-PK., 6-OZ. BTL. 37¢
ORLEANS DOG FOOD 2 1/2 OZ. WT. CAN 49¢
ROXY DRY DOG FOOD 5-LB. BAG 55¢
CAT FOOD 9-LB. TUNA 2 1/2 OZ. WT. CAN 29¢

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ACROSS
1. Banner
5. Floated on water
9. Infrequent
10. Edible
11. Step
12. Brightly colored
14. First-rate
15. Fragrant flower
16. Music note
17. Daughter-in-law of Naomi
18. Neckline shape
19. Keen
21. Famous pirate
22. Single unit
23. Badge
24. Stone Age tool
26. Bracelet
29. Postal abbreviation
30. Strong taste
31. Stamp of approval
32. Bits of food
34. Common ending
35. Glided on ice
36. Concludes
37. Jacket
38. Singing voice
39. Oceans

DOWN
1. Uproar
2. Thread
3. Lead
4. Goddess of earth
5. Secret: slang
6. Thermal
7. Coming
8. Gazed
9. Hastily
11. Turkish coin
12. Crown of head
20. Symbol of Great Britain
21. Sovereign
23. Kettles
24. Machine parts
25. Calls up
26. Hairless
27. "South Sea Tales" author
28. Pieces out
30. Adolescent years
33. Greek portico
34. Inside
36. Teacher of Samuel
38. Mulberry

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Road Commissioners' Minutes

December 3, 1965
A regular meeting of the Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners held in their office in Grayling. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Cor-saut. Members present, Com-missioners Elmer A. Corsaut, How-ard H. Mead and Harold T. John-son, and Eng-Supt. Bruce Carlson. Absent, none.

The minutes of the last regular meeting read. A motion was made by Comm. Mead, seconded by Comm. Johnson, that the minutes be accepted as read. All voted in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Comm. Johnson, seconded by Comm. Mead, that bids received for Work-man's Compensation Insurance, Inland Marine Insurance, and Comprehensive Commercial In-surance be opened. The Grayling Insurance Agency was the only in-surance bid presented. The re-sults as follows: Workmen's Com-pensation, \$5,710.42; Inland Ma-rine Insurance, \$575.00; Compre-hensive Commercial, \$1,932.02. There being only one bid and this bid being from the present carrier, and in line with present costs of policy, a motion was made by Comm. Mead, seconded by Comm. Johnson that the bid of Grayling Insurance Agency be accepted. All voted in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Comm. Mead, seconded by Comm. John-son, that the bids received for gasoline, Diesel fuels No. 1 and No. 2, and furnace oil, be opened. All voted in favor, motion carried. Re-sults of bids as follows: Standard Oil Company, 1178 for gas; 1155 No. Diesel, 1079, No. 2 Diesel; 1% 30 days discount. Gulf Oil Company, 1188, gas; 1175 No. 1 Diesel; 1075 No. 2 Diesel; 1075 furnace oil; 1% 30 days discount. Mobil Oil Company, 1179, gas; 1175 No. 1 Diesel; 1075 No. Diesel; 1075 furnace oil; 1% 30 days discount. Osceola Oil Company, 1199, gas; 1155 No. 1 Diesel, 1080 No. 2 Diesel, 1085, furnace oil; 1% 10 day discount. Sinclair Oil Company, 12341, gas; 1175 No. 1 Diesel, 1075 No. 2 Diesel; 1179 furnace oil; 1% 10 days discount. Leonard Oil Company, 1245 for gas; 1166 No. 1 Diesel, 1066 No. 2 Diesel; 1198 furnace oil; 1% 10 days discount. Marathon Oil Company, 1275 for gas; 1175, No. 1 Diesel, 1075 No. 2 Diesel; 1075 furnace oil, 1% 30 days discount. A motion was made by Comm. Johnson, seconded by Comm. Mead, that the bid of Standard Oil for gasoline at 1178 per gallon be accepted. All voted in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Comm. Mead, seconded by Comm. John-son, that the bid of Gulf Oil Co. for Diesel No. 1 at 1113 per gal-lon and Diesel No. 2 at 1029 per on be accepted. All voted in favor, motion carried.

The Consumers Power Co. asked permission for maintenance, tree trimming and tree removal permit along all county roads. A motion was made by Comm. Johnson, seconded by Comm. Mead, that per-mission be granted to Consumers Power Company for maintenance, tree removal and tree trimming along all County roads. All voted in favor, motion carried.

The tentative plat "Huron National" Subdivision, a part of SE 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 32, T26N, R1W, South Branch Township, was pre-sented for approval. A motion was made by Comm. Mead, sec-onded by Comm. Johnson, that the tentative plat of Huron National Subdivision be approved. All voted in favor, motion carried.

The tentative plat "Warbler's Highway No. 4" a fractional part of NW 1/4 of Section 23, T27N, R1W, Lovells Township, was presented for approval. A motion was made by Comm. Johnson, seconded by Comm. Mead, that the tentative plat "Warbler's Highway No. 4" be approved. All voted in favor, motion carried.

The Commissioners and Eng-Supt. Carlson dropped over roads in the several townships. After re-turning to their office a motion was made and seconded to ad-journ. All voted in favor, motion carried, meeting adjourned.

ELMER A. CORSAUT, Chm.
UHARLEY RUSSELL, Sec'y.

CARD OF THANKS
My thanks to the doctors, Sisters and Mercy Hospital staff for their care, and to friends and relatives for their kindness during my ill-ness.
Frances Ziebell

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the County of Crawford
Estate of Hans Jungman, Deceased.
It is Ordered that February 4, 1966, at 11:00 A. M., in the Pro-bate Courtrooms Grayling, Michi-gan a hearing be held on the Peti-tion of Dorothy Sigby for License to Sell Real Estate of said deceas-ed. Persons interested in said estate are directed to appear at said hearing to show cause why such license should not be granted. Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.
Dated: December 20, 1965.
EMIL L. KRAUS
Judge of Probate

Edward G. Durance
Attorney for Petitioner
Court House
Midland, Michigan 23-30-6

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the County of Crawford
Estate of Catherine Ruth Holst.
It is Ordered that on January 19, 1966, at 11:00 A. M., in the Probate Courtrooms Grayling, Michi-gan a hearing be held on a petition for appointment of an administrator to dispose of an interest in real estate in Crawford County, Michi-gan.
Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.
Dated: December 17, 1965.
s/EMIL L. KRAUS
Judge of Probate

Lewis R. Bebout
414 Walnut Blvd.
Rochester, Michigan
Attorney for
William E. McCullough
441 Willow Tree
Rochester, Michigan 23-30-6

STATE OF MICHIGAN
In The Circuit Court for the County of Crawford No. 100
JOSEPH TYRON, Plaintiff
vs. - Order to Answer
THERESA TYRON
Defendant
On the 12th day of August, 1965, an action was filed by Joseph Tyron, plaintiff, against Theresa Tyron, defendant, in this court to ob-tain a decree of absolute divorce, custody of children and other re-lief.
It is hereby ordered that the de-fendant, Theresa Tyron, shall an-swer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 25th day of February, 1966. Failure to comply with this order will result in a judgment by default against such defendant for the relief demanded in the com-plaint filed in this court.
Date of Order: December 13, 1965.
s/ Dennis J. O'Keefe
Circuit Judge

Ward F. Ellison
Attorney for Plaintiff
Grayling, Michigan 23-30-6-13

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the County of Crawford
Estate of Gladys Kruse, deceas-ed.
It is Ordered that on January 19, 1966 at 1:30 P. M., in the Pro-bate Courtrooms Grayling, Michi-gan a hearing be held on the peti-tion of Arthur J. Cameron seek-ing appointment of himself as ad-ministrator of the estate of deceas-ed, and further at such time to de-terminate the heirs at law of said deceased.
Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.
Dated: December 17, 1965.
s/ EMIL L. KRAUS
Judge of Probate

Ward F. Ellison
Attorney for Petitioner
Grayling, Michigan 23-30-6

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the County of Crawford
Estate of Marcella C. Bold, de-ceased.
It is Ordered that on December 29, 1965, at 10:00 A. M., in the Pro-bate Courtrooms Grayling, Michi-gan a hearing be held on the peti-tion of Shirley Conlin to admit to probate an instrument dated June 4, 1964, purporting to be the last will and testament of deceased, and to have ready record of Gray-ing, Michigan, appointed as ad-ministrator with the will annexed of said estate.
Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.
Dated: December 2, 1965.
EMIL L. KRAUS

Crawford County Avalanche
Thursday, December 23, 1965

Christmas Greetings

During this beautiful time of the year, we send you and yours glad Christmas greetings and wish you all the blessings of the season.

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GREETINGS

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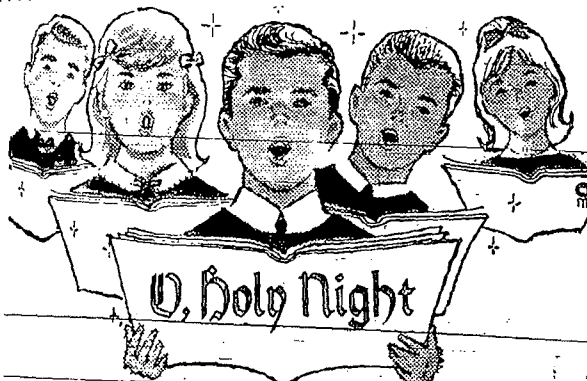


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and voices
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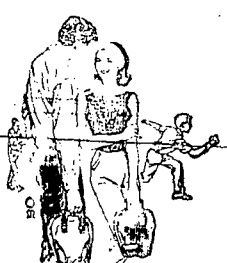


May all the holy joys of that first Christmas night
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BITS O' TALK

Hunters at the Longdyke Hide-
out during the 1965 season were
Mr. L. Oliver Kieffer, Bud Kieffer
and Chuck Ralph of Fenton
and Jim and Fred Quinn of Red-
ford. It was a deerless year for
all except Fred, there just weren't
any deer to be seen. Anyhow the
men agreed that they had a great
time getting away from the rat
race. Oliver got caught up on lost
sleep and the rest of the boys played
the cards and swapped hunting
stories, mainly about one that got
away. Art Collins and his neigh-
bor George from K. P. Lake and
Gus Middleton participated in the
card games.

The Albion College Choir has
risen in membership to 72 with the
recent induction of 29 new mem-
bers. Amongst the newly initiated
members is Carolyn E. Klein, daugh-
ter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert
Klein of Grayling.

The Avalanche has a new ad-
dress for friends who may wish to
write: P.O. Tommy L. LaMotte,
USS5826409, 502 Admin. Co. (AGPR)
2nd Arm. Div. Ft. Hood, Texas
76846.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Macklon vis-
ited their daughter and family,
Mr. and Mrs. John Bair and daugh-
ter Ann in Royal Oak Monday
and Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Lytle left
Friday to spend the weekend with
their son Claude Jr., and family at
Grosse Ile.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carlson and
family attended an early Christ-
mas celebration with members of
his family at the I.O.O.F. Hall in
Battle Creek Sunday. They stopped
enroute to pick up their daughter
and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Rod
Powers at Mt. Pleasant, dropping
them off again on the way home.

The Misses Amy and Mary
Kraus arrived home Friday to
spend the holidays with their par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kraus.
Amy attends St. Mary Academy,
South Bend, Ind., and Mary, Barat
College, Lake Forest, Ill.

Amber Meech and Corlynn ac-
companied her sister and family,
the Arthur Carlsons for the an-
nual Christmas party of the Carl-
son clan in Battle Creek Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Andrews
and daughter of Angola, Ind., ar-
rived Friday to spend a few days
visiting his mother and grand-
mother, Mrs. Grace Andrews and
Mrs. Matilda Nelson.

Max Davenport was in Flint and
Lansing on business last week. He
brought son Bill Trowbridge
home from Michigan State on his
return Friday.

The Bunco Club membership
met Thursday at Chief Shoppena-
gans Hotel for a Christmas dinner,
then gathered at the Russell Mo-
shier home where Mrs. Walt Al-
lington was hostess for the even-
ing's play. First prize went to Mrs.
Kip Papendick, second to Mrs.
Byron Randolph and low to Mrs.
Walter SanCartier. The penny
prize was won by Mrs. Clare Mad-
sen, and a door prize went to Mrs.
Shirley Arnold. Following the
games the ladies enjoyed a Christ-
mas tree and exchange of gifts.

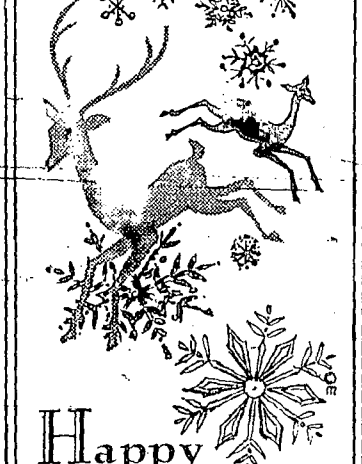
The club will skip a meeting dur-
ing the holidays and hold its next
assembly on January 6th at the
home of Mrs. Walter SanCartier.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stephan
were in Saginaw on the weekend to
visit the Charles Corwins, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Krome of
Lincoln Park are expected at the
Stephan home to spend Christmas
weekend with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Madsen, Jr.
returned home Tuesday of last
week after visiting her parents.
Mr. and Mrs. Mel Lucksted in
Grand Blanc, for a week. Mrs.
Madsen's sister, Jackie Lucksted,
came home from Central Michigan
University, Mr. Pleasant, for the
holidays while they were there.

Amber Meech was guest of hon-
or at a farewell dinner at Schlang's
Restaurant Thursday evening in
Gaylord. After dinner the group
returned to the Log Mark at the
Otsego Ski Club where Mr. and
Mrs. Al Kerschner, manager and
Mr. and Mrs. Ken Fisher, former
managers, presented her with a
money gift. Amber has been em-
ployed in the club office for the
past ten years and in January will
be a new employee at the Keyport
Clinic in Grayling.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Jansen enter-
tained the members of the Jim's
Cance Livery bowling team and
their spouses with a Christmas
party at the Jansen home Satur-
day evening.



Happy
Christmas

May all the joys of the
season be yours
in great abundance!

WHAFF'S

Mark Southwell Ends Advance Cannon Training

Fort Sill, Okla. (AHTNC)—Pvt.
Mark E. Southwell, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Mark E. Southwell, 606 Oge-
ma St., Grayling, Mich., com-
pleted advanced training as a
cannoneer at the Army Artillery
and Missile Center, Fort Sill, Okla.,
Dec. 16.

Southwell was trained in the pre-
paration, loading and firing of field
artillery guns and howitzers.

He entered the Army in August
1965 and completed basic training
at Fort Knox, Ky.

The 19-year-old soldier attended
Grayling High School.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank the doc-
tors and staff at Mercy Hospital
for their part in our recovery, and
our many friends in Grayling, es-
pecially the Bear Archery people,
for all the lovely cards, flowers,
letters and prayers for both my
husband and me while in the hos-
pital.

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Bits O' Talk

Miss Pam Beery of Michigan
State arrived home Friday to
spend the between-semester and
holiday vacation with her parents,
the Ell Beerys.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bear were
hosts to around 50 Friday evening
with a buffet supper at their home
for Bear Archery Company super-
visors and their wives.

Miss Hannah Kroll arrived home
from the University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, last weekend to spend
the holidays with her parents,
the Charles Krolls.

Christmas weekend guest at the
Dale Pettengill home will be Jim
Johnson who will take his fiancée,
Miss Priscilla back to Chicago
with him Monday for a visit with
his parents, the Reverend and Mrs.
Alvin Johnson, all next week.

Bill's Laundry will close Dec. 24
at 3:00 p. m. and reopen Tuesday,
Dec. 28 at 8:30 a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Karger, Jr.
of Chicago came Wednesday to vi-
sit her mother and grandmother,
Mrs. Ella Wilcox and Mrs. Oscar
Hanson, for a week over Christ-
mas. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Snyder
of Bay City arrive today to
spend some time also.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Day, Judy
and Mark are spending the holi-
days in Hollywood, Fla., visiting
his brother and wife the Glenn
Days.

Mrs. Harold Lee entertained
with a birthday party for her hus-
band on Sunday, the 19th, and for
her daughter-in-law, Mrs. John
Lee, of Fairview, whose birthday
is the 21st. Also present were
John Lee and three children, and
his brother Lyle and wife and three
children of Leviston.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Annis and
family drove to Odessa last week-
end to visit her sister and hus-
band, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Jackson
and to pick up their daughter
Irene, who began the Christmas
vacation from her studies at Adri-
an College on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dopp left
Friday to spend the winter months
at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

George and David Blaha arrived
home Friday from Notre Dame
University, Indiana, to spend the
holidays with their parents, Dr.
and Mrs. Vernon Blaha. They ac-
companied Mary Kraus, who came
from Lake Forest, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wood planned
to visit their daughter and family,
Dr. and Mrs. David Warren and
family at Midland, over Christmas.
Their son Ronald and family of
Plymouth are expected to be here
all next week.

Tommy Stancil met Harold Mac-
Neven at Tri-City Airport Tuesday
of last week and brought him
home, to attend the funeral of his
brother-in-law, Clyde Peterson
on Thursday. Saturday Mr. Stan-
cil took Mr. MacNeven back to
Tri-City and he returned to Sacra-
mento, Calif., where he and Mrs.
MacNeven are visiting their daugh-
ter and family, the Larry Fray-
mires.

Arnold Stancil, who is serving
in the U. S. Coast Guard out of
Staten Island, N. Y., arrived home
Tuesday this week to visit his par-
ents, the Tommy Stancils, until
after New Years. His father met
him at Willow Run airport and
brought him home.

The family and friends of Mrs.
Hattie Moshier helped her to cele-
brate her 80th birthday anniver-
sary Saturday, December 18th.
Her sister, Mrs. Fred Anthony of
Flint came as a surprise to her.

Students home from Houghton
Tech college in the U. P. to visit
their respective parents are Roy
Wedge, Jr., Leslie Halstead, and
Bill Moshier, son of the Russell
Moshiers. They will be returning
the first of the year.

The Claude Halsteads have heard
that their son Parachute Rigger
2c Raymond Halstead has return-
ed to his base at Honolulu, Hawaii,
after seven months duty with the
Naval Air Force in Viet Nam
and the Philippines.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Luter and
children of Marshall are expected
Christmas Eve to visit her parents,
the Robert Strongs. On Saturday
they plan to accompany Mr. and
Mrs. Strong and Mrs. Jerome
Strong to Alpena to spend the day
with the Bob Strongs II. Sunday
they will go to Freeland to cele-
brate Christmas with his parents,
the Rev. and Mrs. Hollie Luter
and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Melroy were
in Bay City on business Monday
of last week.

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BITS O' TALK

Walter Truettner is home from Mercy Hospital after a stay of six and a half months.
 John Moon drove his aunt, Mrs. Norman Johnston to Traverse City on Wednesday of last week to visit Mrs. Minnie Hanna. John plans to leave for Florida after Christmas to spend the winter after visiting his son Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moon and family and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hicks and family in Flint for the holidays. He wanted to see his aunt, Mrs. Hanna before leaving.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Russell entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Hoffmann of Perrysburg, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. David Hoffmann of Dallas, Texas, over the weekend.

Jack Mason is meeting his son Jack Thursday at Detroit to bring him home for the holidays. Young Jack, who attends Cranwell School at Lenox, Mass., was selected to attend the ski training camp at Guilford, Vt., and spent the past week there. Mr. Mason was in South Bend, Ind., Friday to bring home their daughter Jeanne from St. Mary Academy for the holidays. Amy Kraus, who also attends St. Mary, accompanied them.

Bill Callahan spent last Wednesday in Grand Rapids visiting his brother Bun.

Carolyn Barker of Grand Rapids arrived home Thursday evening for an early Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dorob. She will spend Christmas weekend at her duties at Blodgett Hospital. Carolyn returned to Grand Rapids Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Engel left Saturday for Norfolk, Va. to visit their son John, who was due in from Panama December 22nd. They planned to spend Christmas with John.

Mrs. Willard Harwood entertained thirty-eight members of her family with Christmas dinner Sunday, a week early. Those from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harwood of Bay City, Jack, Jan and Jeff Harwood of Marshall, and the Bob-Tiffin family of Houghton Lake.

Bill Borchers came home Sunday on leave from the U. S. Coast Guard to spend a week with his parents, the Clyde Borchers family. He returns to his station at the Soo next Sunday. Lt. Col. and Mrs. Borchers entertained with a cocktail buffet from 4 to 8 o'clock on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Welch arrived home Friday from Central Michigan University to spend until January 4th visiting their parents, the Les Welches and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hayes.

Scott Thomas is the name given to their new son by Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Gabriel of Lake Margrethe.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Ferguson and Timmy were hosts to Mrs. Mike Goodrich and Dawn at a pre-Christmas dinner Wednesday of this week.

Miss Sherrie Madsen is expected home from Bay City for the week end to spend Christmas with her parents, the Howard Madsens.

Don Ashton of Saginaw visited his parents, the Kenneth Ashtons over the weekend.

Mrs. Corliss Stamply and daughter Marilyn returned home on Tuesday from Detroit, where Mrs. Stamply had been for some time for a hospital check-up, and both had attended the wedding of the Stamplys' daughter Ann to Bruce Buszard on Saturday, December 18th. Also attending the wedding from here were Ann's father and brother, Bob, Mrs. John Stamply and Bob Wyman.

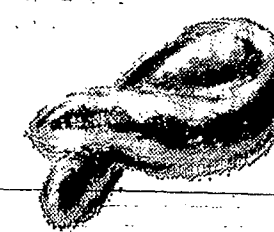


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It is not too late to join the chorus. Anyone interested may call 348-5981 or 348-9284. The group will not meet December 20 as planned because of the busy holiday season. The next meeting will be on January 10, 1966, in the band room at the high school, at which time questionnaires will be passed out. The questionnaires are for the purpose of seeing what arrangements will be made for the purchase of new music, what type of music the group is interested in, and whether the chorus would like to make any public appearances.

4-H NEWS

Two weeks ago, Dec. 3rd the Belles of St. Mary's made Christmas place mats out of a place mat and Christmas cards. Gail Goss furnished refreshments.

A week ago, Dec. 10th, the girls made tidy towels to be given as Christmas gifts. Refreshments were furnished by Julie Golinick.

Dec. 17th, the group had a caroling party. After caroling, we returned to the Duley home where Mrs. James Duley and Mrs. Robert Holzman served hot chocolate and cookies.

Julie Golinick, sec'y.

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EMIL L. KRAUS
Judge of Probate

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SECTION TWO

Thursday, December 23, 1965

HISTORY OF JACK PINE - CRAWFORD COUNTY POST OFFICE



Pictured is James F. Crane, Postmaster at Eldorado from October 17, 1911 until July 31, 1923. The photo was taken about 1921. This is Birch Ridge Farm where the Eldorado Post Office was located from October 17, 1911 until June, 1925. The office was in the little room off the side porch. This photo taken about 1921 shows the Post Office sign on the bell post. Both photos were loaned through the courtesy of Mrs. Boyd Funch.

By David C. Colyer
Part Three

In the fall of 1911, when Ivory R. Gile resigned, Eldorado went shopping for a new postmaster again. The new custodian of Uncle Sam's mail was to be a professional — something new for the local community. This "career man" was none other than James F. Crane, proprietor of Birch Ridge Farm.

James Franklin Crane, everybody called him Frank, first saw the light of day on April 11, 1854 in Berea, Middleburg Township, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. While still a boy, Frank moved to Bedford, Michigan, a tiny farming community three miles north of Battle Creek. On October 12, 1876, Frank Crane married Mary E. Shultz of Bedford. Shortly after his wedding, Frank opened his "New Cash Store", which was to be a Bedford landmark for many years. A new dimension was added to the store when Postmaster General David M. Key appointed James F. Crane postmaster at Bedford on January 17, 1878. It was at this point that Frank's career in the post office began. The "New Cash Store" and the post office prospered during the next several years. The family grew as well, for in 1877, daughter Nellie was born; and six years later, little Grace appeared.

In the spring of 1886, shortly after the Cleveland administration took office, Frank Crane resigned as postmaster. Being the good Republican that he was, Mr. Crane really didn't feel he could serve under a Democrat! On January 3, 1890, four years and two postmasters later, Frank was reappointed to Bedford's leading federal office. When Cleveland and his crowd took over from the Republicans, in 1893, the local citizens implored Mr. Crane not to resign again. The memory of two bumbling predecessors was still fresh in their minds. Frank stayed in office until 1902, when he sold his store and resigned the postmastership, having served a total of twenty years — longer than any other postmaster in Bedford.

For the next two years, the Cranes lived in Battle Creek. In 1904, Mr. and Mrs. Crane moved to Jackpine. The reason for the move was that a man had borrowed money from Frank and couldn't pay it back. He did, however, own some acreage up in Crawford County and he turned this over to Mr. Crane as payment for the

debt. When the "old" folks went north they left their two daughters behind. Nellie had married Morton Kline and Grace had remained in Battle Creek to study music.

The Michigan Development Bureau's claims about the wonderful farm land in Crawford County, back at the turn of the century, were not so far wrong as you might think. After the trees were cut down the old forest floor remained. This thin layer of rich earth provided the bountiful crops that were so ecstatically extolled in the Bureau's advertising. What a few people realized was that it had taken centuries for this forest floor to develop. The heavy farming of the early 1900's quickly wore out the soil, and in that pre-fertilizer era, there was no way to restore production. The Crane farm was no exception. During Frank's active life in farming, the land held out, but, by the end of World War I, when Mr. Crane retired, the once rich earth was retired too.

Although farming provided the mainstay of living, the post office was not an unwelcome addition for the Cranes. Frank was back at his old job again and daughter Grace, who came home to stay in 1910, helped Dad to take care of the mail. On July 1, 1912, only eight and one-half months after Frank took office, Domestic Money Order Business was established at Eldorado. Now people didn't have to travel to Luzerne or Roscommon to buy a money order to pay their bills anymore. And who bought the first order? Why, it was Grace L. Crane, the postmaster's daughter, of course. It was a huge order for the gigantic sum of \$3.80.

What was a country post office like back then, you ask, well, let's just take one week in the life of James F. Crane, postmaster. Monday, July 1, 1913, stamps on hand at post office, 28 one cent, 122 two cent, 169 three cent, 46 five cent, and 59 ten cent. The remaining stock was 93 one cent postal cards, 18 two cent stamped envelopes, 11 ten-cent special delivery stamps, 4 one-cent postage due stamps, and 26 one-cent documentary revenue stamps. Total value of postage stamps cancelled, \$24.



Dr. J. F. Cook

Tuesday, July 2; stamps cancelled, \$39. Wednesday, July 3; cashed one money order for Miss Margaret Elliot at \$1.00; stamps cancelled, \$13. Friday, July 5; sold one money order to E. B. Hollowell at \$3.55, fee, \$.05, order to be sent to Sears, Roebuck & Company, Chicago, Illinois; stamps cancelled, \$.20. Saturday, July 6; sold one money order to self at \$1.75, fee, \$.03, order to be sent to John W. Ladd Company, Detroit, Michigan; stamps cancelled, \$.11. There were no boxes rented because everybody was on general delivery. The post office, itself, was located in a small room added on to the back of the Crane home. Frank also

had a small general store in conjunction with the office, for the benefit of the local citizens. On a tall bell pole, just outside the office door, was a large sign which said: "Eldorado Post Office."

Besides selling stamps, issuing money orders, and serving as the local information bureau, there was the vitally important business of transporting the mail. The roads, if you could call them that, half a century ago, were really nothing but tracks. The stage was the chief means of carrying mail and passengers where there were no railroads or steamships. No, the stages that ran between Ros-

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11 a. m. Chapel Service
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Sunday School, 10:30-11:45 A. M.
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Church Service 10:30 a. m.



GREETINGS

To all the
messages of good cheer that ring out
during this holiday season, we'd like to add
our own, wishing you a very merry Christmas. May you
find an abundance of the real joys of Christmas filling
your heart and home, bringing you peace and contentment.

ART CLOUGH
"REAL ESTATE"

HOLIDAY TREAT

Keep a supply of eggnog in your refrigerator all through the holiday season, ready for instant entertaining. The family will enjoy it as a snacktime beverage, too, and in desserts like Eggnog Chiffon Pie. The pie's delicate eggnog flavor is enhanced by mounds of whipped cream and a sprinkling of shaved chocolate. It's light and luscious, the perfect topper for holiday meals.



May your heart
be filled with all
the wondrous
joy of that first
Christmastide.

CORNELL'S
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Bea and Willard



FARM TALK... Children's recognition of the sounds made by farm animals is the key to fun with this new game. When a player lands on a square which permits him to pull the talking barn's string, he hears any one of 12 authentic sounds made by farm animals.

TREE CUSTOM

Martin Luther is generally credited with decorating the first Christmas tree. The custom spread throughout Germany and eventually throughout Europe. Prince Albert, Queen Victoria's German husband, introduced the tree in England in 1841. German immigrants brought the practice to the United States in the 19th century. A Christmas tree was displayed in Cambridge, Mass., in 1832.

TREE BELIEFS

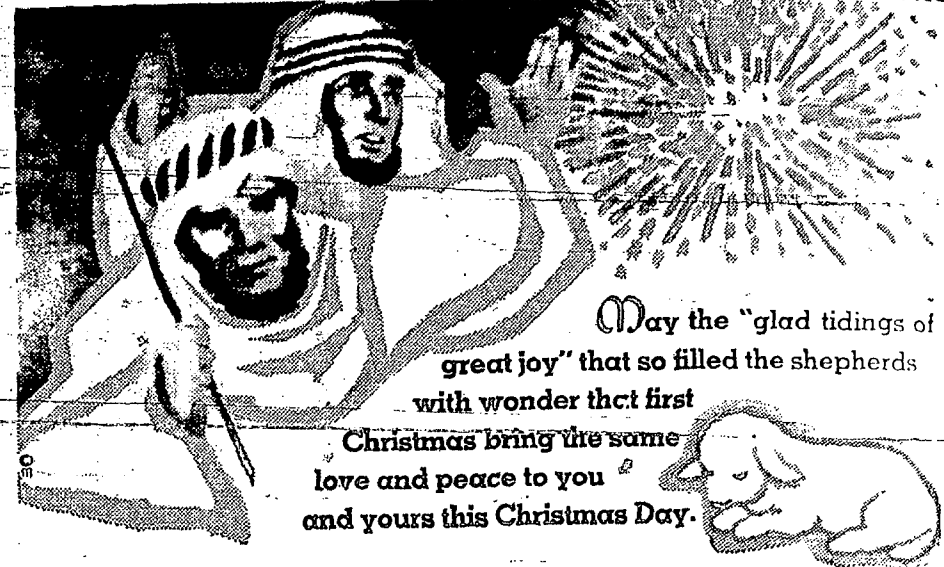
Some people regard it as unlucky to have an odd number of Christmas lights on the tree, and there are many who believe it necessary to remove the tree before Twelfth Night, or Epiphany. Other people say it is important that decorations be removed before Candlemas (February 2) or "misfortune" will follow.

OLD STUFF

The versatility of the modern doll is amazing, yet dolls have been versatile for centuries. As far back as the 18th century, dolls on exhibit at the History Museum in Neuchatel, Switzerland could write, draw and play for visitors. One doll, when wound up, would dip a pen in ink and write "Welcome to Neuchatel." A second doll would sketch pencil portraits of Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette. The musical doll, at a miniature keyboard, played minuets and quadrilles.

FAMILY GIFT

A gift for every member of the family is traditional — a separate gift that is. Gaining in popularity is the idea of one large gift that pleases the whole family. A typical example is a box or group of seats for a season's worth of favorite sports. Another is a family trip, or excursion. Both gifts provide something to look forward to; tickets may be for next year's football season, any excursion must be preceded by hours of poring over maps and travel folders.



May the "glad tidings of great joy" that so filled the shepherds with wonder that first

Christmas bring the same love and peace to you and yours this Christmas Day.

FRANCOIS GIFTS UNUSUAL



Greetings

Peaceful as a countryside wrapped in snowy white, the quiet contentment of Christmas spreads across the land. We greet you with the wish that great joy may be yours at this happy, holy time. And with sincere thanks, we extend to you our great appreciation for your favors and friendly good will.

BARINGER'S "THE NORTH'S FINEST"



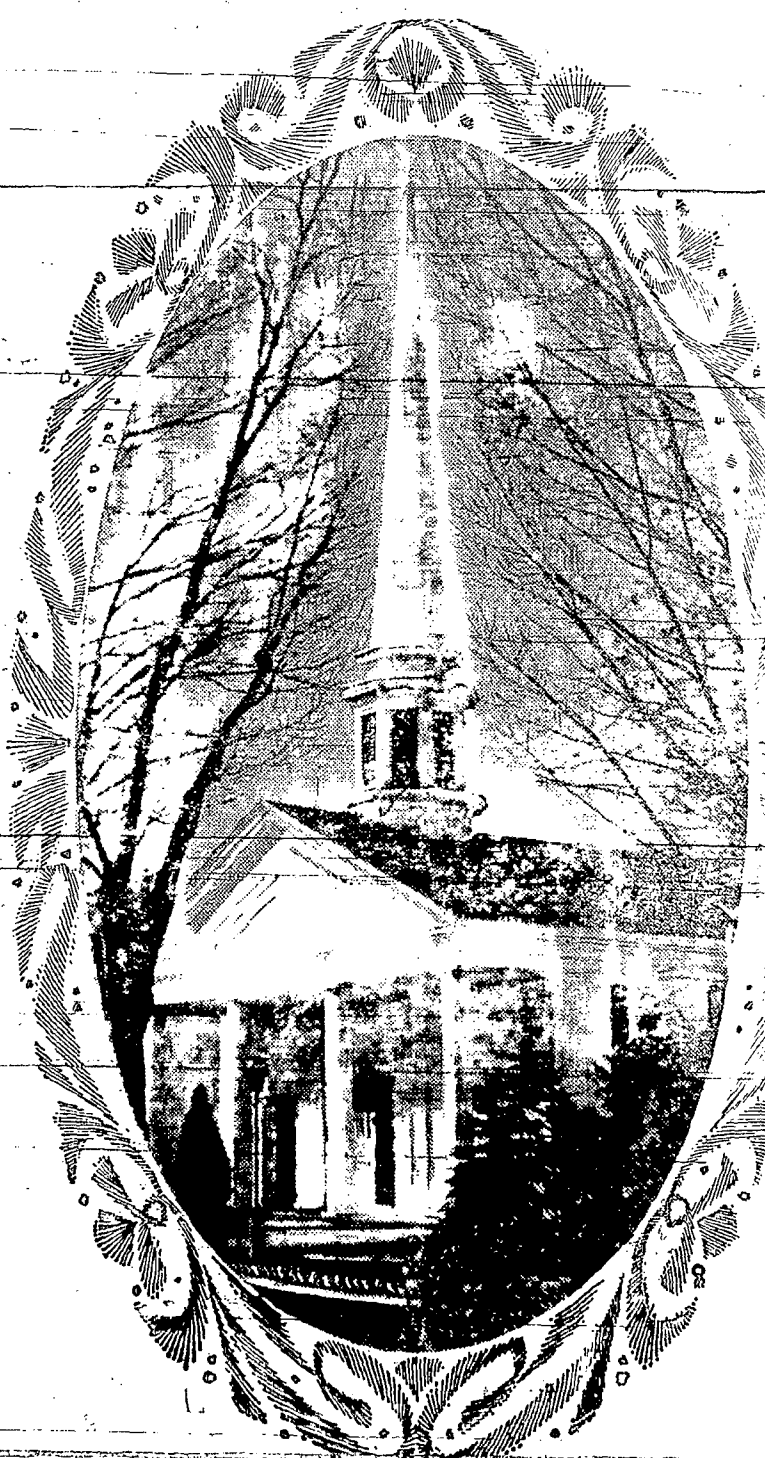
Greetings

We've come a-carrying to bring you all the joy, happiness and gladness of heart that goes with Christmas. To our song of good cheer, we add a special note of thanks for your kind patronage throughout the year. We are deeply appreciative. May our warm friendship continue for many more years.

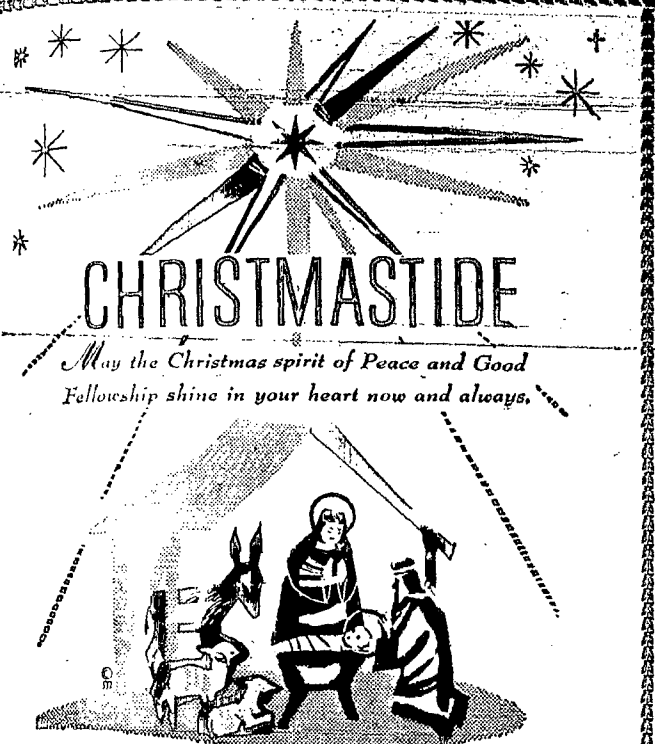
DAWSON'S

Peace on Earth

As the joy, light and love of this Christmas season, radiate their blessings upon all, we sincerely wish our good friends in the community a holiday filled with life's most treasured gifts.



MC EVERS MOTOR SALES
BUICK - RAMBLER - GMC TRUCKS - SALES & SERVICE



CHRISTMASTIDE

May the Christmas spirit of Peace and Good Fellowship shine in your heart now and always.

BEN FRANKLIN STORE



The Christmas Story

In song and story and, most of all, in our hearts the message of Christmas lives anew, to comfort and inspire us. At this glad time, we would like to wish our many friends full measure of joy and blessings.

GRAYLING RESTAURANT JOE CINCIALA, Prop.



DOLL MAKER . . . Among the most popular gifts for children are the ones with which they can "make something" of their own. In this instance, there's a real thrill for the girl who can make her own family of dolls and their pets. With this magical casting set, she puts a compound into a pan equipped with a regular electric bulb which melts the compound. The liquid is poured into molds supplied, cooled off in a tank and there you have an appropriate family member. The compound used is a specially formulated non-toxic material, completely harmless to taste or touch.



THE CLOWN . . . Bozo the Clown is among newest addition to talking hand puppet group. The star of TV and motion picture cartoons says 10 different phrases—in his familiar voice—at random at a pull of the string. The voice mechanism operates without batteries.

THE RIGHT TREE

To make sure your tree adds as much as possible to the holiday spirit, be sure to select the right tree. Measure the space where you plan to put the tree before you buy it. Decide what type of tree you prefer. Douglas fir is often preferred, red cedar and Virginia pine are less expensive, and you can splurge on blue spruce, white spruce or Scotch pine. If you choose a fir, be sure it tapers nicely from a single tip. Check the needles. Brown, dried-up patches indicate needles have dropped off.

COOKIE CUSTOM

The popularity of cakes and cookies at Christmas may be a survival of an early Roman custom. On Saturnalia, the Roman mid-winter holiday, each Roman senator was given a confection to celebrate the coming of spring. The delightful custom of decorative sweets continued into Christian times. A German favorite is Pfefferkuchen, a hard, round, spicy cookie made in great quantity at Christmas. Scandinavian women spend days baking pastries for the holidays. French like cakes baked in the form of a chocolate Yule log and Rumanians make their cakes in folds, symbolic of the swaddling clothes of the Christ Child.



Our wish is that you may know all the joys of Christmas.

L. & L. Donut Shop



OLD-FASHIONED Christmas Wishes

Times change, but the good old-fashioned spirit of Christmas goes on forever, and so do our hearty wishes for your happiness, and our earnest thanks for your friendly good will.

GRAYLING LUMBER AND SUPPLY CO.



MERRY Christmas

The joyous songs of this Christmas season ring out with notes of good cheer, happiness and peace on earth. We, too, join our voices, wishing everyone, everywhere, the Merriest of Christmases!

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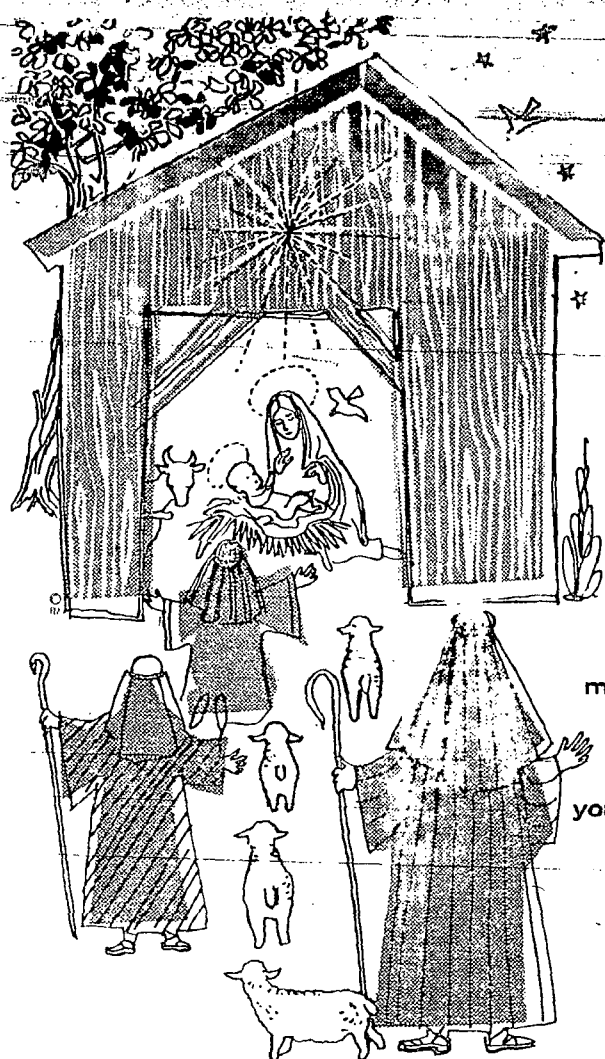
CHEVROLET — OLDSMOBILE — CADILLAC
SALES AND SERVICE



Peace, good will toward men

At this joyful season, may there come to every heart a glad renewal of the warming spirit of peace and good will. May we all be richly blessed, as we rededicate ourselves to the glorious message of the first Christmas.

THE HICKALL STORE



*Joy
and
Peace*

May the true meaning of Christmas be with you always, bringing joy, light and love into your heart and home. And may all your hopes be brighter because of the Christ Child's coming.

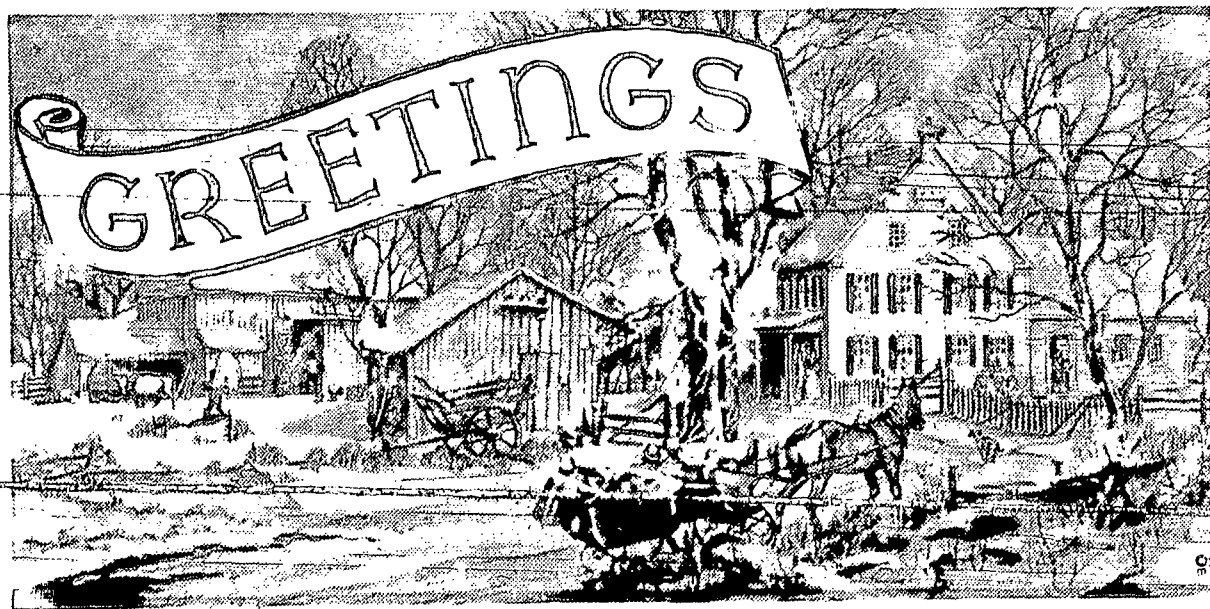
FUELGAS COMPANY, Inc.

Joy at CHRISTMAS



As you and your loved ones gather together to share the blessings of this great holiday season, we extend, to you and yours, our warmest wishes for a bright and happy future.

THE GRAYLING INSURANCE AGENCY
MELVIN K. NIELSON, Owner



It's that joyous and glad some time of year when we open our hearts and homes to one and all, sharing our blessings large and small. May yours be the rich delight that comes with partaking of the spirit of Christmas.

State Government Growth Sometimes "Sneaks In"

THEY "SNEAK" UP

Expansion of state government sometimes occurs in such a fashion that the full impact is rarely noticed until someone points it out. Over a period of years you may read that the Mental Health Department has expanded services, enabling its institutional waiting list to be reduced. This is real progress, you note.

State Police get a shorter work week. You observe that the previous hours were unreasonable. Officials say more troopers are desperately needed. You agree; it's rare that you see a State Police car on the road.

New federal programs are requiring state implementation. You side with legislators or other officials who say, "We're paying the tax dollars to Washington so we might as well get some more back."

The legislative system itself needs considerable revision in terms of operating methods and staff situations. This sounds reasonable.

It just follows then that the executive office must take on more manpower to keep abreast of the new and expanded services offered.

On and on goes the list, but the changes are scattered over a period of time. Each is considered independently.

Then comes the statistician who notes that state employment has jumped nearly 5,000 in the past five years to about 37,000 people. This means a payroll of an estimated \$245 million annually.

He notes that much of the \$55 million increase in the state wage cost during the past year went to mental health, social welfare and other areas of current primary concern.

The legislature added about 100 employees last year, and the Governor's office staff and payroll have more than doubled in the five-year period.

The one bright spot, the statistician notes, is in the Revenue Department. The staff has been cut from 711 to 666 and Commissioner Clarence Lock boasts it is costing considerably less to bring in the tax dollars.

A POOR JOKE

Amusement has been voiced in



Select a cut Christmas tree early when the choice is wide. Apply a freshness test before you buy it. With proper care the tree can be kept fresh until Christmas.

To determine how fresh a tree is, do this: Thump the butt hard on the ground. If needles shower down, it's a sign of dryness. Next pull the needles. If they have good resistance, the tree is relatively fresh.

Rub a finger across the butt. If it is sticky with resin, that, too is a sign of freshness. Spread lower branches. If they're springy and sturdy, they will hold ornaments well. Odor or fragrance is another mark of freshness. Avoid a Christmas tree with browned patches of needles.

The butt of a tree should be 6 to 7 inches long and in symmetry the branch spread should be half the height of a tree.

Taken home, the tree should be given this care: First, cut a diagonal slice an inch thick from the butt and peel back the bark another inch.

Place the tree in a bucket of cold water. Keep the tree in a garage, porch or other cool place until you are ready to bring it indoors. Add water to the container periodically. Coating the needles with an anti-will spray compound will prevent needles drying out and falling. Or you may sprinkle the needles daily with water. This reduces transpiration.

Several corners of the State Capitol about the latest Democratic



Christmas Wishes

Our very best wishes for a truly wonderful Christmas.

Hatt's Motel

Mr. & Mrs. Dale Hatt



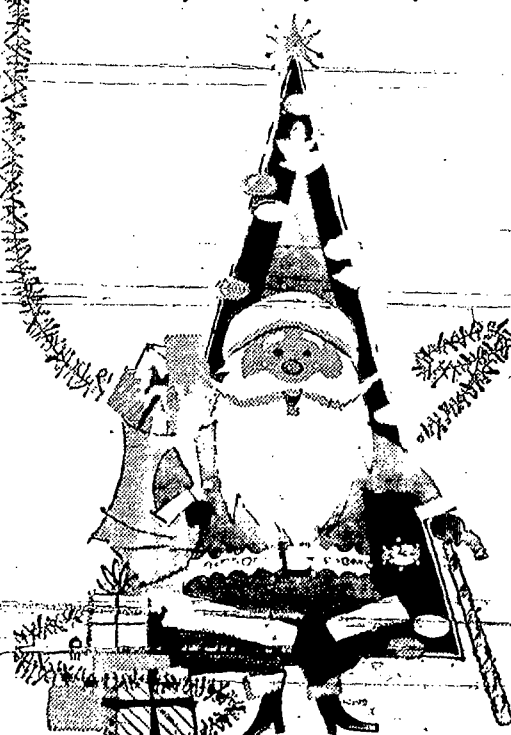
Peace and Happiness for Christmas

May the peace and happiness of this holy season bring contentment to the hearts of our many friends.

GRAYLING Electric and Heating

CHRISTMAS JOY

Here's hoping Santa leaves all the dreams of our loyal patrons in bright array beneath their Christmas trees. A hearty "thank you" to you all!



AU SABLE HOTEL

Party stand on fiscal reform. This one says 1966 is the deadline for action on tax revision, or words to that effect. It has been presumed for several years that any such revision would likely include a state income tax.

The amusement is that this party statement is getting to be old hat. Under the last two Democratic governors, fiscal reform was written into the party's platform.

Minority ranking in the legislature was then given as the reason for failure to accomplish it.

In the first term of Republican Gov. George Romney, the Democrats agreed with him (and their party's long-standing position) but said they could not find enough opposition-party lawmakers to get it passed.

This year's fiasco speaks for itself since it is still so fresh in mind. The Democrats' strong Romney along before they finally admitted they couldn't bring in the votes themselves.

What will happen next year while the Democratic majority is still firm is not too difficult to forecast. After all, a short session is planned to allow the lawmakers maximum campaign time. The Dems hope to keep the upper hand.

Strong party stand or no, it must be remembered that while the Democratic legislators are members of the party they rarely have great numerical strength on the State Central Committee, which sets down such statements as the 1966 deadline for action.

Of course, failure to fulfill the party's platform plank or subsequent policy statements can always (at least until 1967) be blamed on lack of agreement with Romney on details of fiscal revision.

NOT SO SIMPLE

Irate citizens sometimes come up with a solution to any community problem. In more cases than not, it usually starts out with: "Why don't they just..."

Take for example, the problem of a town intersection which happens to be part of the state trunk-line system. The problem is too many accidents. The citizen's immediate idea is, "Why don't they just put up a traffic signal?"

Highway Department officials, plagued by this query year in and year out, study each situation but try to emphasize that a stop light is not useful as a device to prevent accidents.

Several intersections in the state can be cited by department officials as examples of what happens when a traffic signal is installed after study of local complaints.

It frequently runs in statistics like this: one-year before and after studies showed accidents went up from 4 to 15 at an intersection where a yellow flasher was replaced by a stop light. Ten persons were injured before the new signal. After the installation, 15 were injured and one killed.

"Traffic engineers have known for some time that stop-and-go signals often cause more accidents than they prevent," says department spokesman Harold Cooper. "Stop-and-go signals have only one purpose and that is to assign the right-of-way at heavily traveled intersections."

"Our experience shows a general increase in accidents can be expected after installation of a new signal," said Cooper. Only about half the increase can usually be attributed to rear-end collisions involving motorists who forgot the new signal was there.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

We want to say a sincere "thank you" to all our great friends and wish them all the laughter, fun and good cheer of this happy holiday season.

CHARLES FICK
STANDARD OIL AGENT



At Christmas, we especially recall

the simple message of "Peace on Earth, Good

Will to Men." You, dear customers,

have shown your good will to us by your

loyal patronage. Our hearts filled

with gladness, we wish to say,

"Thank you for such a wonderful year."

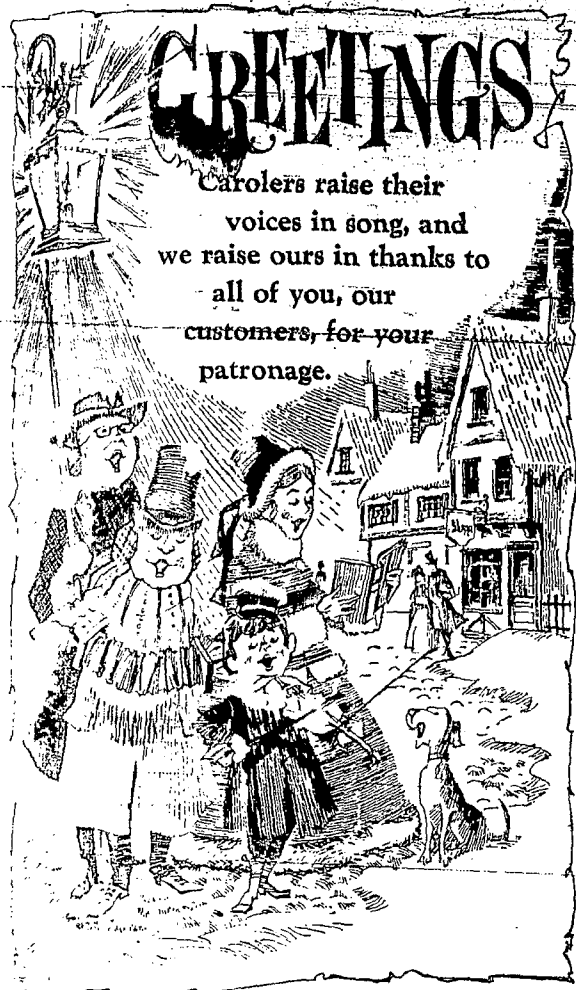
CHARLES MOSHIER
PONTIAC SALES AND SERVICE



The tree is trimmed, ornaments are glimmering, Santa's arrived and everybody's happy! To all you wonderful people, we send wishes for all the best of Christmas. We are happy to know and to serve you.

TIP TOP TOGS

We will be closed during the Holidays. Re-opening on Monday morning, January 3rd.



GREETINGS

Carolers raise their voices in song, and we raise ours in thanks to all of you, our customers, for your patronage.

Jack Millikin Construction Co.

Shop The Avalanche Ads First



CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS

Christmas is the perfect time to count our many, many blessings. High on our list is the confidence and good will you've showed us. So to you, our patrons, we're extending a cheerful, hearty holiday "thanks."

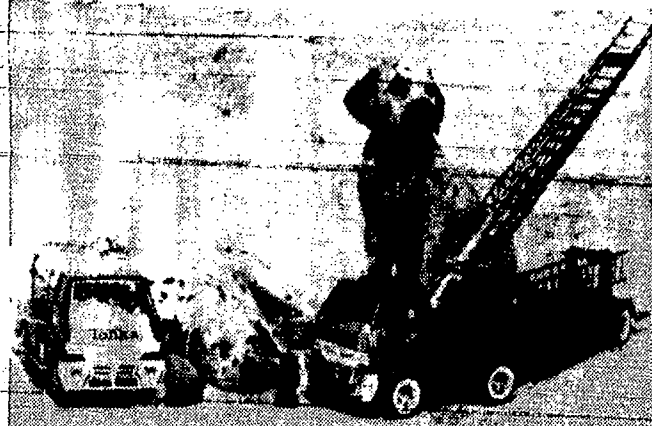
AU SABLE SOUVENIR WORKS - Frederic



Merry Christmas

This is the happy season, when voices join together in laughter and song. It's the time when we count our blessings and share our good fortunes with friends and strangers, alike. In the true Christmas tradition, we're glad to send to you and yours, our best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

DOCHETTE SHELL SERVICE & PARTY STORE



DOGGY LOOK . . . 1965 model fire engines feature new glassed-in "Supervision" cabs that may be seen on real fire engines of the future plus aerial ladders, hoses that squirt real water and all the accessories for fighting imaginary four-alarms. The Malmation pups, traditional fire company mascots, are 1965 models too.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Lake Wales, Florida
December 13, 1965

Greetings and all good wishes for the holiday season to all concerned.

December 1st at 9 a. m., with our able driver and very good traveling companion, (Bill Tinker, Jr.), we left Grayling, proceeded as far as Maumee, Ohio where we spent the afternoon and night with my sister, Mrs. Bernice Donoe, her son, Roger Evans and family. The following day brought us to Williamsburg, Ky., the next day to Unadilla, Ga., the third day we arrived at Orlando, Fla., at noon, visited about an hour with the Max Laages and finished our trip to Lake Wales by 3 p. m.

Found our little home in good condition and a fine reception was afforded us by our park friends.

After eight months absence there was some dust in the house to dispose of, that was soon taken care of however.

May I reiterate? Bill proved to be very satisfactory in every way and I would say he is an asset.

and honor to any community.

After getting settled we drove to the groves and picked up a bushel of naval oranges, the largest I have ever seen, big as grapefruit, and good too.

Bill enjoyed the trip, weather was ideal, he got a kick out of picking his first oranges and chasing an alligator that was sunning itself, into the water.

Really don't seem like the approach of the Christmas season, weather has been bright, temperatures in low 40s and mid 70s, this is our second time to spend Christmas in Florida.

Monday, December 13th. Had a nice rain last night, needed it, 8:45 a. m. I'm out on the patio, sun is out and the temperature started out at 65 this morning.

Mom and I went to church twice yesterday, "First Christian Church" a young man from Owosso, Mich., the pastor, a very fine man and a friendly congregation, title of his sermons were, "Visitor from outer space" and "Christmas fright", can't go into the nature of the sermon, it would be too lengthy.

We wish every one well over this holiday season and the year 1966.

Sincerely,
Dan and Leta Babbitt

\$94,000 More for Social Security Here

(Special to the Avalanche)

NEW YORK — Residents of Crawford County will soon become painfully aware of how much they will have to fork up for Medicare and for the more generous pension checks voted by Congress.

Beginning next month, local wage earners and their employers will be hit by a big increase in payroll taxes to finance the new benefits.

As of January 1st, working people who are covered by Social Security will begin paying at the rate of 4.2 per cent on the first \$6,600 of earnings. Matching contributions will be made by their employers.

This represents a big hike over the present rate, which is 3.625 per cent and is limited to the first \$4,800 of earnings.

As for those who are self-employed, the present tax rate of 5.4 per cent on the first \$4,800 will jump to 6.15 per cent and will affect income up to \$6,600.

As it applies to Crawford County, it boils down to an overall increase of \$94,000 over the amount paid for Social Security last year by local workers and their employers.

The figures are based on data released by the Internal Revenue Service, the Bureau of Labor Statistics and others.

They show that some \$16.7 billion was turned into the Social Security trust fund last year by the nation's jobholders and their employers.

Crawford County's contribution to that total was an estimated \$335,000.

Next year, under the new rates, it will climb to approximately \$429,000, based on the same number of workers.

For a person earning \$4,000 a year, the tax will be \$168, or \$23 more than he paid this year. At the \$2,500 level, the new tax will be \$105, a rise of \$14. Those with incomes of \$6,600 or over will pay the maximum, \$277, which is \$103 more than at present.

The increase per worker will be

somewhat greater in Crawford County than in many parts of the country because wages are at a higher level locally.

The frequent extension of benefits provided under Social Security has been accompanied, over the years, by corresponding increases in costs.

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CLAIR'S STANDARD SERVICE



We wish you all at this time of year
A plentiful measure of Yuletide cheer!

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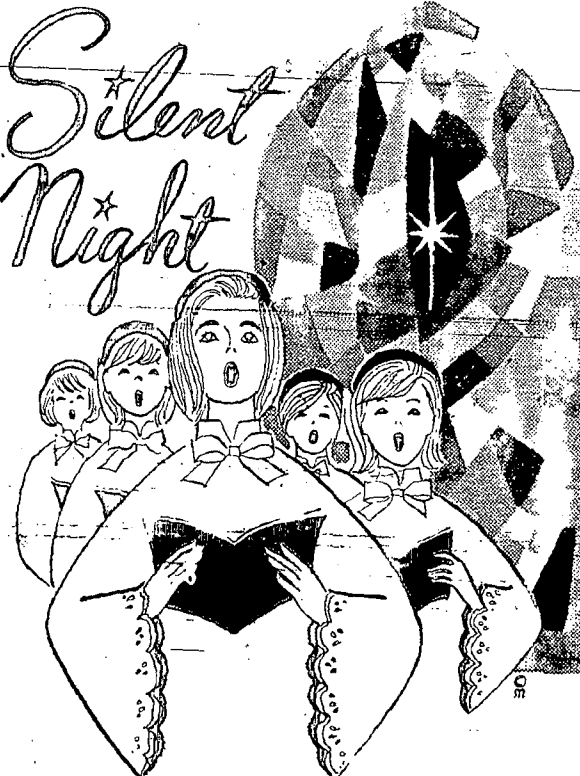
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Rejoice

May the true spirit of the first Christmas shine brightly in your heart today and everyday.

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Silent Night

May the "heavenly peace" of that first Christmas night descend upon the world, bringing to everyone the joy and happiness that comes with a contented heart.



Silent Night, Holy Night

May the joyous spirit of peace, love and kindness born on that Holy Night bless your home and family, always. At Christmas-time, all of us here wish all of you every happiness and the best of good fortune. Our grateful thanks for your friendly patronage.

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GLAD CHRISTMAS TIDINGS

All the world is happy... it's Christmas Day, the bells are ringing those special Christmas wishes of joy and happiness to all. We are taking this perfect opportunity to express deep appreciation to you, our valued friends and customers.

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HUNG WITH CARE . . . The custom of hanging stockings for Santa at Christmas began centuries ago in Amsterdam, when youngsters realized that a stocking would stretch and thus hold more than a wooden shoe, the traditional receptacle for holiday gifts until that time.



The first Christmas in the White House was celebrated by President and Mrs. John Adams, in the year 1800. The mansion was incomplete, the walls were still damp and the rooms were cold. Shivering guests remained only briefly.

Five years later, things were merrier and Thomas Jefferson entertained guests with lively violin tunes. Young relatives of Andrew Jackson made Christmas of 1835 memorable for him when they filled his stocking with a cornucopia, tobacco and trinkets.

Young Tad Lincoln invited street children into the White House to share his Christmas dinner and his father allowed them to stay. Benjamin Harrison ordered the first Christmas tree set up in the White House. Calvin Coolidge started the practice of lighting a decorated spruce on the White House lawn as the Nation's Christmas tree. Franklin D. Roosevelt and his large family celebrated Christmas with a series of White House parties and gatherings for family, friends and staff. Mrs. Eisenhower usually wore a bright-red dress while presiding at holiday parties for her grandchildren.

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GREENS FORBIDDEN

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Christmas Greetings

Spreading throughout the land, warm wishes for a bright and happy Christmas season filled with laughter, song, fond memories and loved ones close by. May you, our loyal appreciated customers, be blessed with such a holiday.

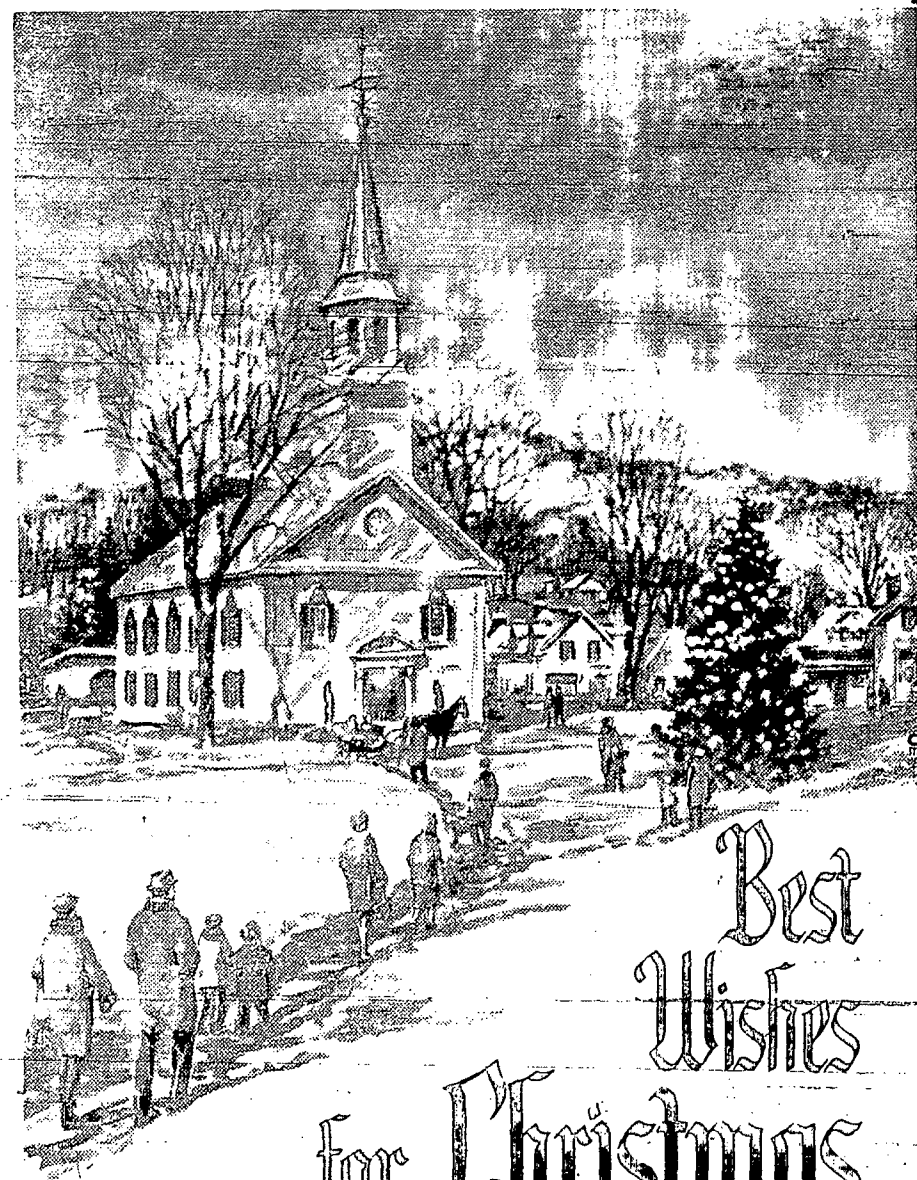
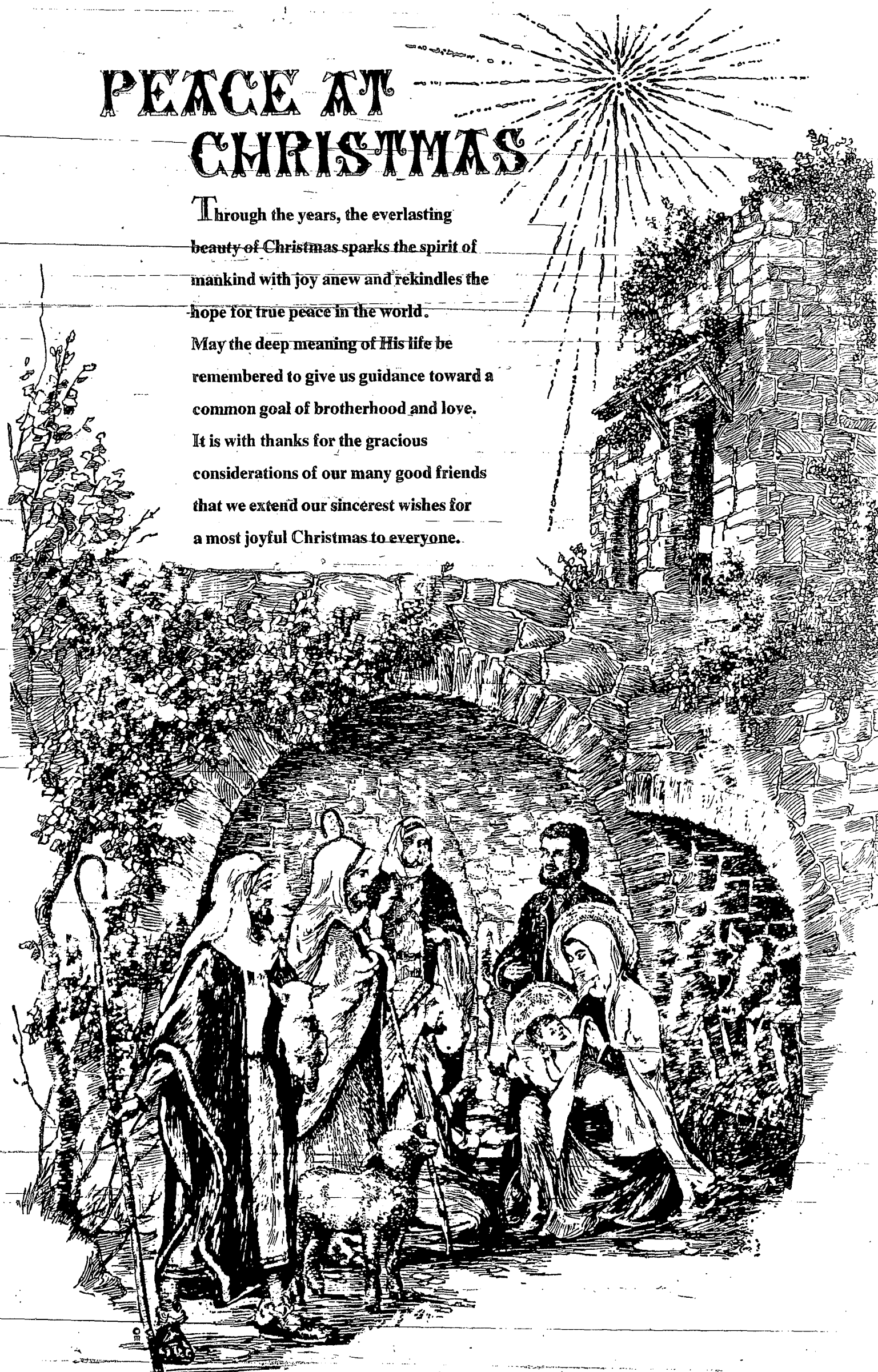
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PEACE AT CHRISTMAS

Through the years, the everlasting beauty of Christmas sparks the spirit of mankind with joy anew and rekindles the hope for true peace in the world.

May the deep meaning of His life be remembered to give us guidance toward a common goal of brotherhood and love.

It is with thanks for the gracious considerations of our many good friends that we extend our sincerest wishes for a most joyful Christmas to everyone.



Best Wishes for Christmas

As we celebrate this joyous occasion of the birth of the Christ Child, let us remember especially the hope that was born anew and the love that filled the world on that first Christmas. May their light shine today, so that peace and understanding will prevail among men.

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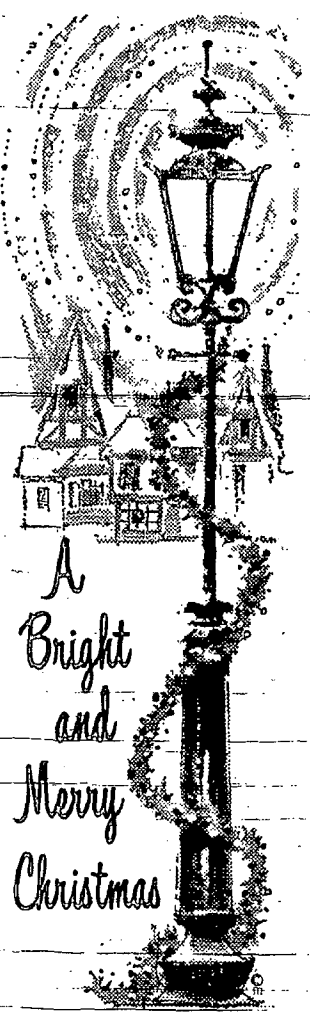
Merry Christmas

The Joyous Christmas Season is here, filling our hearts with its spirit of happiness and good cheer. May you enjoy an abundance of pleasures among family and friends. And please add our sincere greeting for a very, Merry Christmas.

The Pink Lady

HE INVENTED TOYS

Sir Isaac Newton, English physicist, mathematician, philosopher, greeted his first Christmas, and his first day, in Lincolnshire, England, in 1642. Frail and sickly as a youth, he devoted many boyhood Decembers to inventing and making Christmas toys.



A
Bright
and
Merry
Christmas

We wish for you a Christmas glowing with joy and fond friendships.

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CHRISTMAS CLASSIC . . . One of television's lasting accomplishments, "The Coming of Christ," has been presented four consecutive years on national television. In telling the story of the coming of Christ and His early ministry, this "Project 20" program utilizes the words of the Bible itself and realistic still-pictures-in-action technique that brings to life some 300 masterpieces of painting of the late Middle Ages and the Renaissance.

VIETNAM CHRISTMAS

For more than one hundred Vietnamese orphans, Christmas 1964, will always be remembered as a memorable event. It was made so by the officers and men of the 145th Aviation Battalion commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Robert K. Cunningham of Montgomery, Ala. For weeks the men had been working toward the day when old Santa would arrive in Saigon, South Vietnam and they could have a party for the orphans they sponsor. For many of the children it was a new experience, but one that would last a lifetime.

The youngsters arrived on the scene singing "Jingle Bells" in English, although most of them neither speak nor understand the language. They were given haircuts, clean clothes and showers, but most of all they were paired off with a military sponsor with whom they would spend the day. Using the "Big Brother" system, it was difficult to tell who was having the most fun, the children or their sponsors.

USEFUL GIFT

A luxury item needn't be useless. If it is, it's not a luxury—it's a waste. So keep in mind the basic needs of your recipient. Thus, instead of giving mom a dust-gathering figurine, why not treat her to some gleaming stainless steel casserole dishes? They're not only useful, but—because stainless steel is a lot easier to clean than light, cheaper metals—it will save her work all year long.

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Christmas BLESSINGS

To each and every one of our friends, we send our most cordial wishes for a holiday season abounding in blessings, with genuine appreciation for our pleasant relations throughout the past year.

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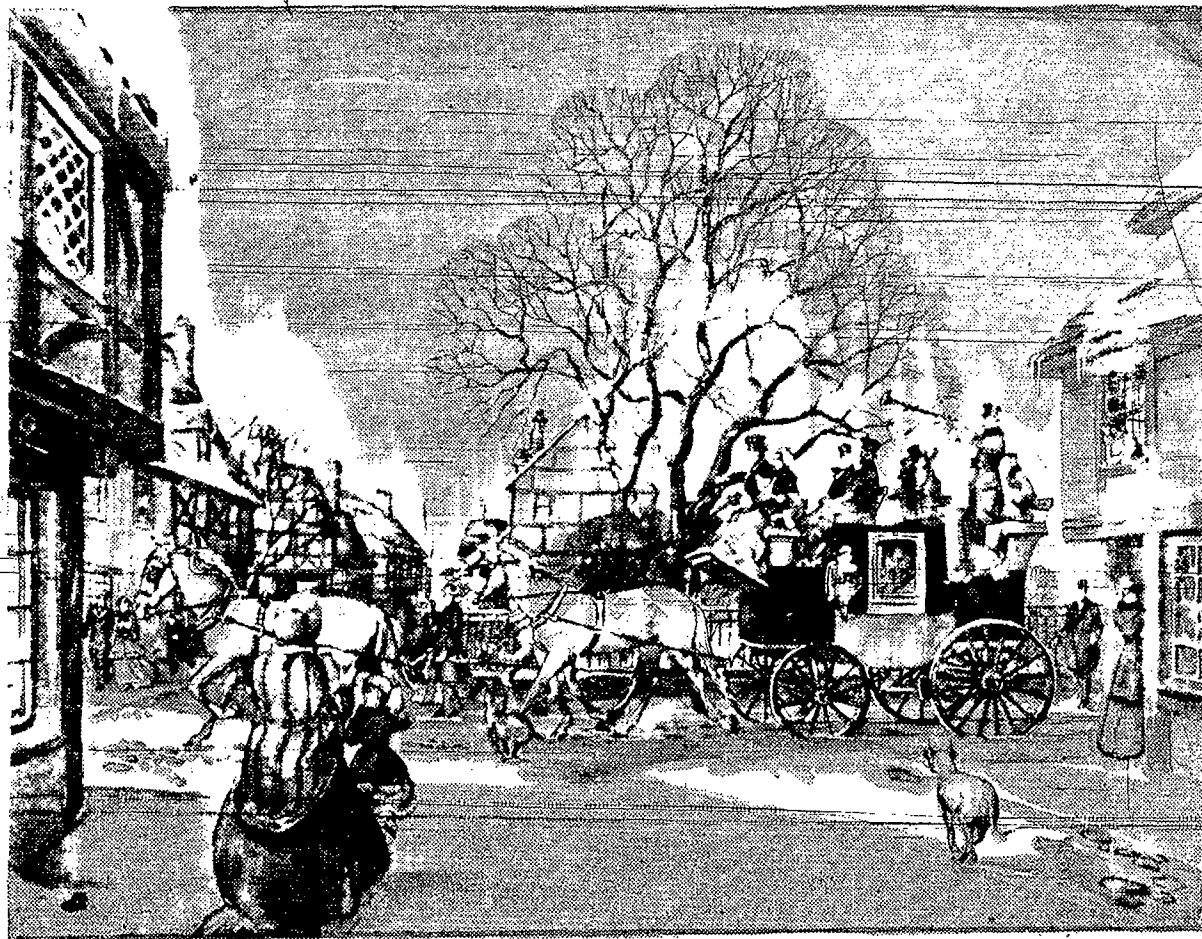
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Merry Christmas

It's Christmastime. The land is cloaked in white serenity . . . hearths are aglow with golden embers of warmth and homeliness . . . peace and happiness fill the air. With our deepest appreciation for all the blessing bestowed upon us, we reach out to our friends and neighbors to share with us the joys of this Holy Season.

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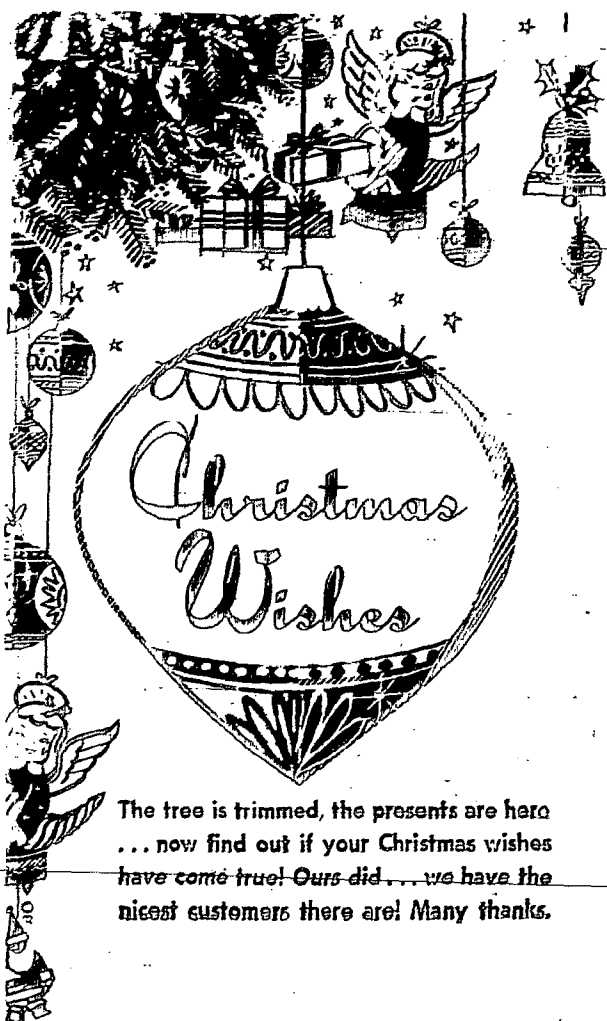
At the Yuletide, we especially rejoice in the opportunity to turn from the routine of everyday business and in real sincerity convey our appreciation to our many valued friends. Your favors and good will have made "everyday business" a very special pleasure for us. To all, our wishes for a happy, hearty holiday rich in good old-fashioned joys.

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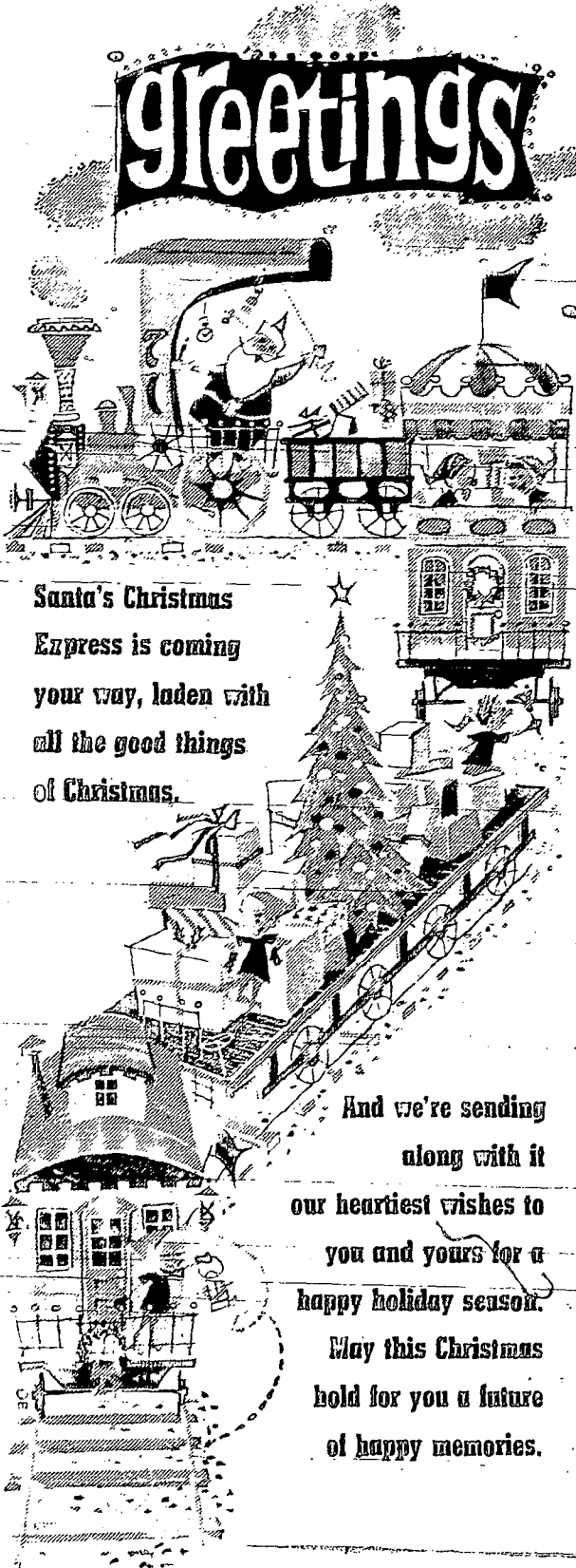
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Santa's Christmas Express is coming your way, laden with all the good things of Christmas.

And we're sending along with it our heartiest wishes to you and yours for a happy holiday season. May this Christmas hold for you a future of happy memories.

SPIKE'S KEG O' NAILS
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HISTORY OF JACK PINE

(Continued from Front Page)

common and Mio (the routes met at Eldorado, coming in opposite directions) looked nothing like those of Welles, Fargo & Company. The stage was simply a farm wagon fitted out with seats and drawn by a single team of horses. In earlier years, the stages were often late - many were the nights that weary passengers, drivers, and horses were given a hearty meal and a good bed - courtesy of postmaster Crane and family. Some of the drivers of those days from long ago, were John Mathisen (later became Roscommon's first rural carrier, on route one, August 1, 1914), Noah A. Fry, Fred Ingalls, and John Pearsall. As the years went by, Frank Crane began to consider relaxing a little. Looking back, he had been a store keeper, postmaster, farmer, township treasurer, and one of Eldorado's most active citizens. Eldorado really didn't need a store anymore, the land was pretty well worn out for farming, the post office, well, Grace could handle that all right, and as for the treasurer's job - it might not be a bad idea to keep one's ear-in for a few years yet. The post office presented no problem at all since Grace lived right in the same house. On July 31, 1923, James F. Crane handed over the mail keys to daughter Grace, and retired, after a combined total of 32 years in the postal service. Shortly after his retirement, Frank and his wife sold their fine old home and moved into a smaller, one floor place. Unfortunately, the old homestead was destroyed by fire a few years later. James Franklin Crane lived out his remaining years, quietly, until his death at Eldorado on June 10, 1932, at the age of 78. Interment was, first, in Rock Cemetery, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan. A few years later, he was removed to Bedford Cemetery, Bedford, Bedford Township, Calhoun County, Michigan. In 1934, Mary Crane was laid to rest beside her husband. MORE TO COME

Vacation Good Christmas Gift

Some women want minks... others want new kitchen sinks... but there's one gift all the gals appreciate because they all need it - a rest, a change of pace, a holiday.

Ever try to figure out how many miles the little woman walks while walloping rugs, quieting wailing kids and getting the meals and marketing done? About 1,825 miles a year! The daily grind deserves a reward - and what's better than letting others do the cooking for the little woman?



May the spirit of good will to all men be your guiding faith forever.

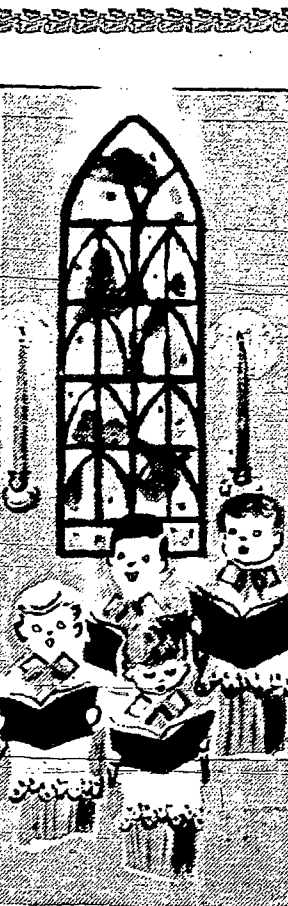
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Our wish for you: that you and your loved ones may find the peace, hope and abiding love of that first Christmas filling your hearts and your home throughout the joyous holiday season.



EARTHMOVER... Big enough and strong enough to ride in is this new king-size dump truck, built of automobile-gauge steel with real jumbo rubber tires.



Holy Night

At this Christmastide, we gratefully wish for all our dear friends the season's many blessings.

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Holiday Celebrations Reflect Customs from Far and Near

Celebrating the happy holiday at Christmas is an almost universal custom and many of the traditions belonging to the day are universal, too. Gift giving, merry-making, gaily decorated trees and brightly glowing lights are holiday habits that have found their way to almost every corner of the globe.

Along with the similarities in the way people observe Christmas are just as many differences. From country to country, from city to city, from family to family, holiday customs vary, sometimes just enough to show the touch of individual imagination, and sometimes so greatly that it seems hard to believe the same day is commemorated.

Gift Giving

It's traditional to receive gifts during the Yuletide season, but the time is not always December 25, and the gift-giver is not always Santa.

One of the earliest Christmas giving times takes place in the Netherlands, according to the Book of Knowledge. Here, the children receive their gifts from St. Nicholas on December 5. The date, appropriately enough, is called St. Nicholas Eve, in honor of the real St. Nicholas, a fourth century bishop.

Christmas gift giving in Italy comes on January 5, which is known as Epiphany Eve. The traditional gift giver is Befana. Legend says that Befana misdirected the wise men, and now she seeks to atone by going about the world doing good to children.

In Scandinavian countries, gifts are given on St. Lucy's Day, December 13.

The time for gift giving in Puerto Rico and Spain is January 6, the day when, traditionally, the wise men came to Bethlehem.

In Germany

From Christmas trees to Christmas toys, many Christmas customs now universally observed came first from Germany.

In the medieval town of Nuremberg, the highlight of the Christmas season is the "Christkindmarkt," or literally, "Christ Child's Fair."

The "Christ Kind," or Christ Child, is the gift giver, and the culmination of the fair, on Christmas Eve, is a visit by the Christ Kind to the balcony of the historic church, the Frauenkirche. Days of group caroling by the children precede this event.

Fun and Feasting

A merry, hearty feast is traditional at Christmas, but the ingredients are not always the same. Norwegians might serve, instead of turkey and trimmings, codfish and pickled pork, while baked carp is a favored Christmas delicacy in Austria.

Christmas dining customs change with time, too. History describes a "traditional" Christmas feast of seventeenth century Quebec, a feast that would be considered somewhat unusual today.

Before each dinner at the feast was placed a bowl of birchbark or polished basswood and a spoon of bark. The diners supplied their own knives, and there were no forks.

Into the bowl went first the appetizers - cornbread and a boiled mixture of eels, salmon and beans. The soup course was a rich meat broth, thickened with nuts. Vegetables included corn, peas and baked squash.

The main course featured roast venison and squirrel pies, with baked wild pigeons, partridges, blackbirds, owls - all served together.

Dessert consisted of cakes of maple sugar or sunflower seeds and nuts, topped with a sauce of baked dried berries.

Lighting

Since the Star shone on Bethlehem lights have been a part of Christmas celebrations. Today, candlelight services are traditionally held by many churches at Christmas.

Something unique in the way of Christmas lights are the "luminarias" used to decorate the city of Albuquerque, N. M., at Christmas.

Outlining the borders of streets, sidewalks, yards and even the roofs of homes, the luminarias shine everywhere. Made of paper bags, weighted down with sand and lighted from within by a candle, thousands of luminarias all over the city offer a soft light.

TREE SYMBOL

The fir tree was an early religious symbol in many parts of the world. Dr. Oswald Hoffman, of radio's The Lutheran Hour says this was probably brought about by the fact the fir is an evergreen and always flourished through each of the four seasons; thus symbolic of a beloved God who was immortal.

COMPANY COMING

You can almost count on having some unexpected visitors during the holiday season, so be prepared. Stock up on the traditional holiday foods such as plum pudding, miniature fruit cakes, brandied or pickled peaches or pears. And, don't overlook packages of coconut, nut meats, and ice cream sauces to dress up plain puddings or ice cream for dessert.



We wish you the happiest of holidays, with all the joys and delights of the season.

SMIGGENS DIGGINS



Merry Christmas

The star shone and the angels sang to tell of the great joy of the Christmas. We wish that joy and a Merry Christmas to all of you.

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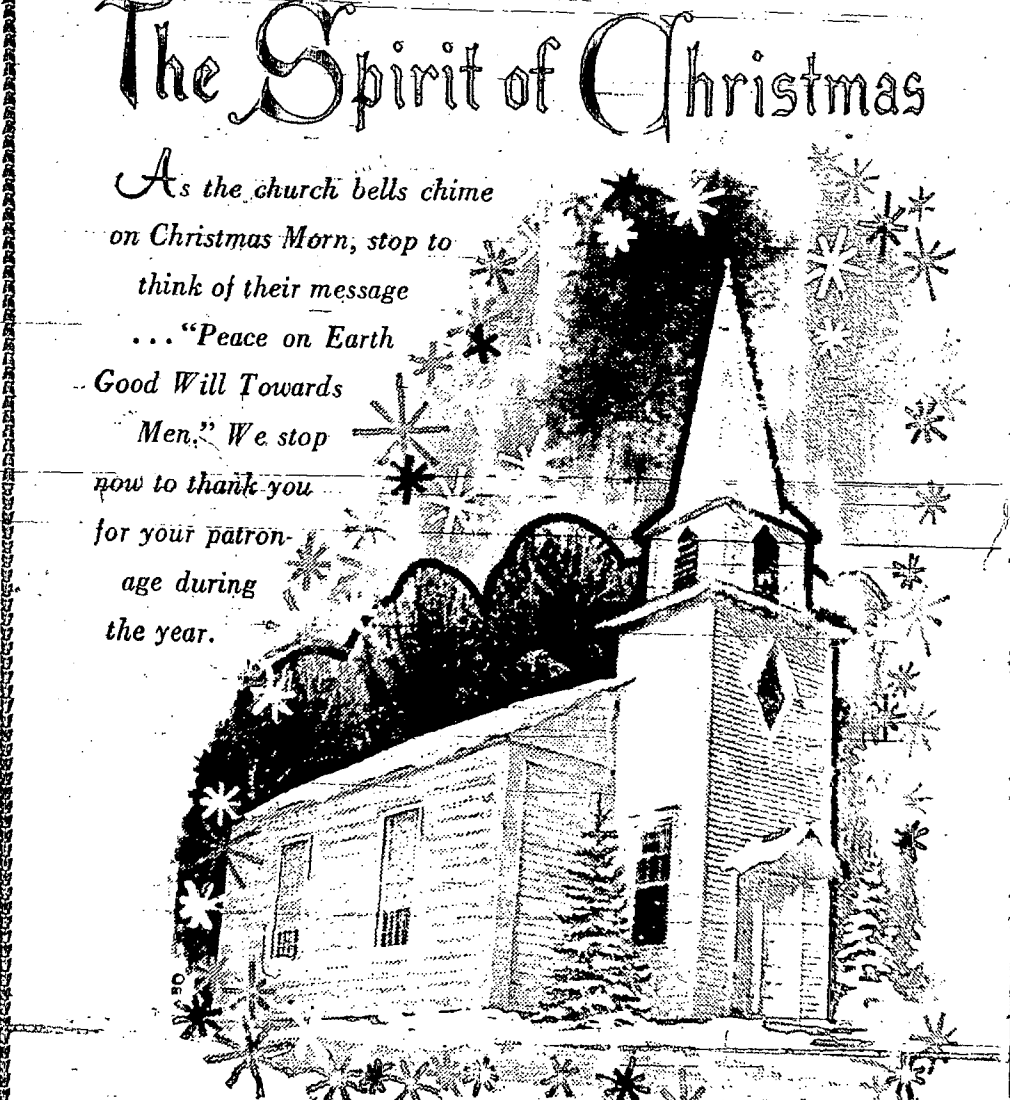
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